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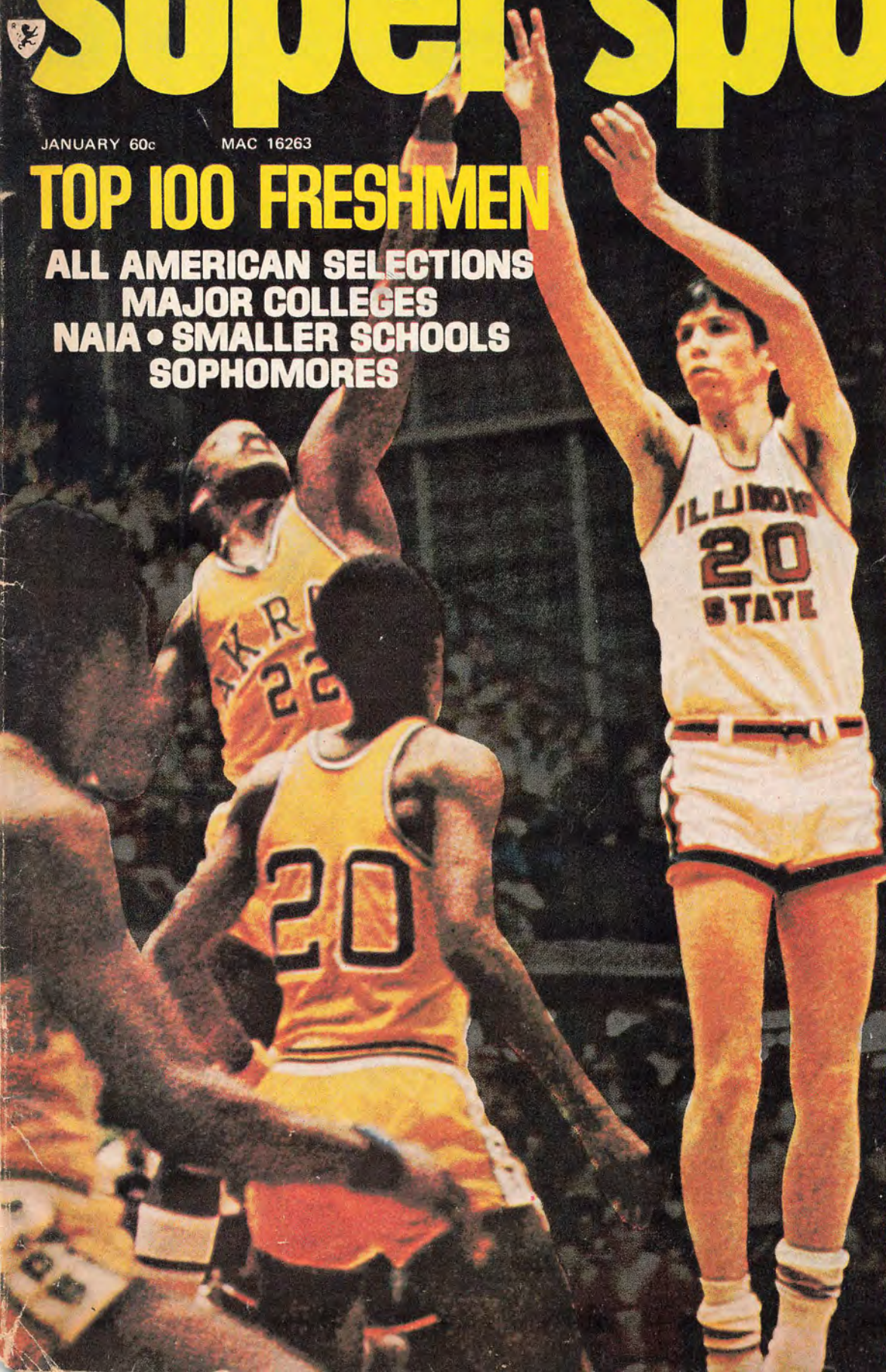

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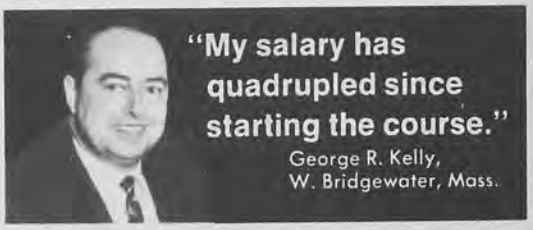

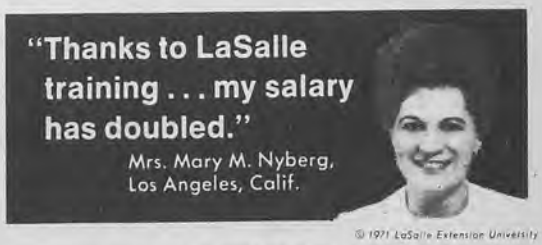

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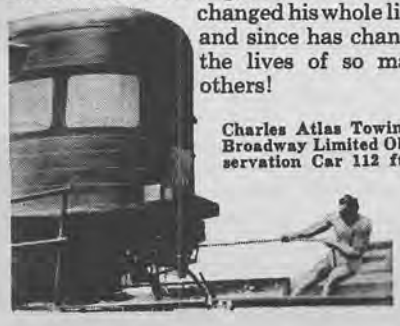

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Sirs:

I'm doing a scrapbook on the Pittsburgh Pirates. I'd appreciate it if your readers would send me anything they may have on the team.

GARY VENTURIM

745 High Street
Freeport, Pa., 16229

Sirs:

I'm a great fan of Kareem Jabbar and would like some information on him. Would you be nice enough to print this in your next issue?

MIKE JESTADT

2138 Osler Street
Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada

Sirs:

I would appreciate any pictures of Wilt Chamberlain. He is my eternal favorite.

MARK FRIETCH

2561 Leslie Ave.
Norwood, Ohio 45212

Sirs:

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COCKY ABREU

2251 W. North Ave.
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Sirs:

We read your magazine every month and we think it gives some good inside facts about American sports. We especially liked the April issue of Super Sports. We'd like to know where we can write Pete Maravich and Wilt Chamberlain.

KEVIN McKIMMEY and ANDY WHITE

Sirs:

I'm an avid baseball fan and my idol is Al Kaline (Detroit Tigers). I haven't seen a single article on him in any magazine. I realize he isn't a Mays or an Aaron, but I beleive he's a great all-round ballplayer. Please do an article on him and on the Detroit Tigers.

I'm collecting cards, pictures and information on Kaline.

BILL PLUNKETT

25647 Colgate
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Michigan 48125

Sirs:

I think your Super Sports magazine is super, especially the article on Wilt Chamberlain—"The Secret That Helped Save My Career"—in the April, 1972 issue. Anyone who has pictures, clippings, etc., on Wilt please send them to:

CHIPPER SAAM

36547 Rolf Ave.
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Sirs:

I am a loyal Knicks fan, but I also like the Chicago Bulls. In my opinion the Bulls are the most underrated team in the N.B.A. And this team is one of most ignored in sports magazines. I think it would be a big help if you had one of your writers do a story on the Bulls. It's a popular team where I live.

PETER GRIMM

Stamford, Conn.

Sirs:

I have a scrapbook started on Willie Mays and would appreciate any clippings, photos, baseball cards, etc.

PATRICK CLANCY

84-37 Greenbelt Road
Greenbelt, Md. 20770

Sirs:

I've started a scrapbook on Paul Warfield. If any of your readers have any photos, clips, football cards, etc., I'd appreciate their sending them to me.

RONNIE FELDKAMP

950 Lakeview Drive
Lorain, Ohio 44052

Sirs:

I'm taking a poll among the fans to determine the best Hall of Fame All-Star teams. Readers are to please pick two Hall of Famers from each league for each position. I'd also like some information and pictures of baseball Hall of Famers.

JOHN WEST

9043 Piedmont
Detroit, Michigan 40228

Sirs:

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LARRY DANIEL

1217 Cardosa Ave.
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Sirs:

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MIKE LEFNER

Bethel, Alaska

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DAVE BOLFING

4927, Quincy St.
St. Louis, Missouri 63109

Sirs:

I'm an avid Los Angeles Rams fan who doesn't like the fact that the Rams are being ignored by nearly all the magazines except yours. I've started a Rams scrapbook which I hope someday to present to the team. It will have the names of everyone who contributed to the Rams' success. If anyone has pictures and information about the team I'd appreciate it if he'd send them to me.

KEVIN GRUBB

566 W. Citrus
Lindsay, California 93247

Sirs:

I'm a baseball fan and I like to collect all types of baseball cards. If any of your readers have available cards, please have them contact me.

FRANK SZABO

28 Midwood Circle
Boardma, Ohio 44512

Sirs:

I would like to thank Jerry Wachter for his photograph of the Phillies. I know they're not the greatest team ever, but couldn't you do a story on them? You did one of the Padres' Dave Roberts (now with Houston). I think Steve Carlton is just as good.

One more thing—anyone who wants pictures of the Phillies can write to me.

JIM HAURYIKO

1507 Kauffman Road
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EASTERN MAJORS

Lionel Billingly (shooting) top collegian in the Pittsburgh area returns to Duquesne.

Al Williams, NIT first team All Tournament selection, will pace the Niagara U. attack.

Junior Fairleigh Dickinson center Glenn Bolduc figures to be team's top rebounder.

AL WILLIAMS
Niagara U.

TOM INGELSBY
Villanova

HENRY SEAWRIGHT
Manhattan

BOB SHERWIN
West Point

BART WOYTOWICZ
Fordham

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Syracuse

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Penn State

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St. Bonaventure

CURT BLACKMORE
Buffalo

KEN MARKOWSKI
Saint Peter's

GARY CARTER
Navy

JACK WOJDOWSKI
Duquesne

ST. JOHN'S

St. John's coach, Frank Mulzoff, who could be fighting for his job, has an outstanding team which should be the best in the East among the independents.

The front line returns virtually intact for the Redmen and while the back court is a little inexperienced, there's a plethora of great talent.

The team will be built around 6-7 All-American forward Mel Davis, who would have passed up his final year of eligibility to turn pro, had it not been for a knee injury suffered in the National Invitation Tournament.

Davis averaged 21 points and 17 rebounds per game, the latter figure fourth best nationally. He is an almost certain first round pick in the 1973 pro draft.

At the other forward it will be 6-5 Billy Schaeffer, who is at his best in the corners and underneath. Schaeffer averaged 17.1 points and hit .636 from the floor, best in St. John's history and fifth best in the NCAA.

The center will be 6-7 Ed Searcy, who joined the Redmen in mid-season after sitting out a year following his transfer from Duquesne. A great leaper, Searcy averaged 9.5 points and 7.7 rebounds a game.

St. John's reserve strength up front will come from 6-8 senior Tony Prince, 6-4 sophomore Kevin Cluess and, if he qualifies academically, 6-5 freshman Beaver Smith.

Sophomore Mel Utley, who sat out last season, will be one starting guard with either 6-2 Larry Jenkins, a holdover who averaged 6.3 points, or 5-8 freshman Frank Alagia at the other.

The Redmen have an easy schedule and should have no trouble winning 20 games.

SYRACUSE

Syracuse has won 41 of its last 53 games and with four of the five starters returning from last year's team that advanced to the quarter finals of the National Invitation Basketball Tournament, the Orange figures to stay among the nation's better teams.

Only All-East guard Greg Kohls departed from the first five, but his spot will be a big one to fill. Kohls was among the nation's leading scorers (26.7) and was the second highest single season scorer in Orange history.

Yet despite his loss, Syracuse figures to be a better balanced club with a little more height up front.

Mark Wadach, a 6-2 senior, who played up front last season, has moved to the back court where he'll join Denny DuVal a 6-2 exciting junior. Wadach averaged 9.0 points a game, while DuVal, of whom great things are expected, hit for 15.8 points.

Mike Lee, a 6-3 senior, who averaged 18.0 points a game, will benefit from the added height up front. Lee grabbed 7.7 rebounds per contest.

Bob Dooms, a rugged 6-5, 220-pounder returns at center. He collected 7.8 points and 8.4 rebounds last season.

The up front spot will be filled by 6-8 sophomore Rudy Hackett, who averaged 17.9 points and 12.8 rebounds on a freshman team which finished 17-1.

Jim Lee, a 6-2 sophomore and brother of Mike, led the frosh with an 18.8 average and will see plenty of action.

Rounding out the squad will be Dave Clark, Lew Cotton, Don Degner, Steve Shaw,

Scott Stapleton, Tom Stundis, Bill Suprunowicz, Chuck Wichman and Mark Ziolko.

DUQUESNE

Duquesne will have three lettermen back from last season's "Magnificent Seven," a team that posted an unofficial 20-5 mark. The Dukes were found to have used an ineligible player (Dave Roddy), which would change the record to 7-18.

It was the main reason the club was passed over by the post-season tournament committees.

The Dukes benefitted from a 17 game home schedule, but nothing can be taken away from their outstanding performance.

Leading the attack, once again, will be 6-9 Lionel "Big Train" Billingy. Besides winning the MVP in last season's Steel Bowl, Billingy was selected the top player in the Pittsburgh area. He averaged 21.6 points and 14 rebounds per contest.

Returning with him are a pair of veterans —Ruben Montanez, a 6-2 high jumping guard (16.8) and Jack Wojdowski, a 6-4 forward who averaged 13.2 points a game.

Others back from the squad who saw little action are Dave Harrington, a 6-8 forward, Dan Slater, a 6-4 guard and Bryan Devine, a 6-2 transfer from Allegheny Community College.

Coming up from the freshmen team is a group that averaged 109.6 points per game. They are Jack Yun, a 6-4 guard (24.7), Oscar Jackson, a 6-2 guard (24.4) Bernie O'Keefe, a 6-4 forward (22.4), Dave Pavlick, a 6-5 forward (16.7) and Don McLane, a 6-6 forward (14.6).

Two of the sophomores, most likely, Yun and McLane, will earn the other two starting assignments.

NIAGARA

Niagara's 21-9 record during the 1971-72 season and its second place finish in the National Invitation Tournament was one of the Cinderella stories of the year.

For this campaign coach Frank Layden has lost three starters, including standouts Marshall Wingate and Ed Street. But returning are another extremely talented contingent.

This edition will include six lettermen and three highly regarded sophomores. Most prominent among the returnees is 5-10 guard Al Williams, who was an NIT first team All-Tournament selection. He averaged 13.9 points per game, shooting .457 from the floor. A dynamite player, Williams was also named to the Small (under 5-10) All-American.

George Rautins, a 6-2 sophomore from Canada, will likely join Williams in the back court. He led the freshmen with a 26.3 scoring average.

Further backup help will come from Bob Banks, Doug Farrell, John Karuch and Bruce Wingate. The freshmen finished 18-7.

Up front, Cleve Royster, a 6-6 junior returns to lead the way. Royster averaged 10.4 points and 8.8 rebounds, the latter high on the club.

Jim Hegmann, a massive 6-11, 250-pound senior, saw spot duty at center last year. He'll have a fight on his hands for the job from 6-7 sophomore, Dave Tita, who hit for 17 points and averaged 17 rebounds a contest.

Another sophomore, 6-5 Bob Banks, who scored at a 15 point pace, will probably start in the other corner with Craig Ellis, Joe Kassler, Bob Miller and Kerry Reedy in reserve.

The Purple Eagles picked up two exceptional freshmen recruits in 6-3 Andy Walker of Long Island, N.Y., and 6-8 Bruce Watson of Elizabeth, N.J.

Manhattan's Mike Moore (shooting) averaged 10.7 pts., 8.9 rebounds after transfer.

BILL STEVENS
St. Francis (Pa.)

BILLY SCHAEFFER
St. John's

JOHN SOMOGYI
Rutgers

BILL KNIGHT
Pittsburgh

RAY CLARK
Seton Hall

FRED GIBSON
L.I.U.

Mark Edwards (54), senior Georgetown Gd., is one of two vets with above 10 pt. norm.

VINNIE ROUNDTREE
Rutgers

RUBEN RODRIQUEZ
L.I.U.

PENN STATE

Penn State's basketball team, 17-8 last season, may be headed for an even better record in 1972-73.

Coach John Bach's Nittany Lions will have three starters returning from the team that won 12 of its last 15 games.

Leading the list of returnees is swingman Ron Brown, who was named the Sophomore-of-the-Year in the Eastern College Athletic Conference. The 6-4 Brown led the Lions in every category last season and set school records for assists and points in one season by a sophomore. His selection was a surprise to most who thought that Marvin Barnes of Providence deserved the award.

Brown averaged 18.1 points and 9.3 rebounds per game while shooting .451 from the floor. He also averaged nearly five assists per game and was the top ball stealer with 75.

Other returning regulars are 6-7 center Ed Chubb (9.3) and 6-7 Dan Tarr (6.3). Both will face battles to retain starting positions for the Lions have recruited an outstanding junior college prospect in 6-5 Jonathan Marshall, from Robert Morris (Pa.). Randy Meister, a 6-9 sophomore, who led the weak frosh team (4-5) with a 16.8 scoring average, is expected to be the center.

Joining Brown in the back court will be 6-2 sophomore Kevin Burke, who hit at a 15.4 average as a freshman.

Bach, who has a 22-year career record of 315-233, would have had a genuine collegiate hoop power had he not let Jimmy Baker a 6-9 sophomore, now at Las-Vegas (Nevada) slip away two years ago. Baker could have made the Lions a Top 20 contender.

State also faces a difficult schedule which includes the All-College Tourney. In the field are Brigham Young, Florida State and Long Beach State among others.

Others on the squad are Dave Angstadt, Dick Barvinchak, Bill Botts, Bruce Chase, Tom Doaty, Bruce Frycklund, Joe Hester, Bill Kunze, John McDermott, Paul Neumayer, Jim Ouderkirk, Keenan Preston, Dan Stolldorf and Mike Wambaugh.

FORDHAM

The Fordham Rams are looking forward to the upcoming season with anticipation and a schedule which ranks with the toughest in the country.

Coach Hal Wissel, now in his second year, took the Rams to an 18-9 mark, a second place finish in the Holiday Festival and a National Invitation Basketball Tournament berth.

Three seniors have departed—Harrerty award winner (given to the best player in New York Metropolitan area) Tom Sullivan, starter George Zambetti, and Steve Cain.

However, seven lettermen return including All-East standout Ken Charles and Bart Woytowicz.

Wissel feels the Rams will be stronger, and has moved Charles to forward. since the club

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EAST

IVY LEAGUE

Ted Manakas (22) runs the Princeton attack. He averages 14 pts., is strong from outside.

JAMES BROWN
Harvard

RICH CURETON
Brown

As a sophomore, Mike Baskauskas (24) was top scorer, number two rebounder at Yale.

CRAIG LITTLEPAGE
Pennsylvania

RON HAIGLER
Pennsylvania

JOHN COLES
Cornell

Biggest gun back at Idaho State is Ev Fopma, unanimous choice for All-Conference.

Dartmouth captain James Brown could win all-Ivy honors. He was 5th in scoring.

PENNSYLVANIA

Pennsylvania has only two starters returning in its attempt to capture a fifth straight Ivy League title but don't shed a tear for coach Chuck Daly. The Quakers are loaded again!

For starters there's Phil Hankinson, an All-Ivy 6-8 forward who emerges as an All-American candidate after playing in the shadows of Bob Morse and Corky Calhoun for two seasons, and 6-6 Craig Littlepage, the toughest "small" center in the nation. Hankinson averaged 16 points and eight rebounds a game last year.

Morse's spot will be taken by Ron Haigler, a 6-8 sophomore who has all the tools to surpass all the great Penn stars of all time. A high-school All-America, Haigler averaged 21.4 and 14.8 rebounds as a freshman.

For backup help, there's 6-8 John Jablonski, a rugged rebounder, and 6-7 Bob Bigelow, a sophomore who could play in the backcourt if necessary.

Penn's weak point is at guard where two-year starter Alan Cotler graduated, along with Calhoun. Junior Whitey Varga is expected to be the ball-handler, backed by Steve Batory, Bill Finger, Jack Sonnenberg, and sophomores John Beecroft and Mark Hlatky. Beecroft is a playmaker while Hlatky is a big, physical scorer.

With a potentially strong frontline, Daly could be tempted to move a forward to guard, or even a versatile center like Littlepage to the backcourt.

Penn may not have the best raw talent in the league, but they play unselfishly as a team and Daly is a master at getting the best out of his squad.

HARVARD

For the past two seasons, Harvard has been rated as a pre-season favorite in the Ivy League. Each time the team has floundered and now coach Bob Harrison is playing a wait and see game.

Two factors force Harrison's cautious approach to the campaign. He certainly can't think in negative terms with 11 of 12 lettermen, including his top seven players, returning. On the other hand, he can't flip cartwheels, since essentially the same cast of players has been a part of the Harvard flop the past two years.

Jim Brown, Floyd Lewis and Tony Jenkins will be the frontcourt starters with Jim Fitzsimmons and Ken Wolfe in the backcourt.

Brown, a 6-6 senior, has a career scoring average of 16.9 and led the team in rebounding. He ranks eighth among Harvard's all-time scorers.

Lewis, who was slowed last year after a knee operation and an early season ankle injury, has a 14.5 scoring and 10.9 career rebounding average.

Jenkins, a 6-8 junior, had an in-and-out year, averaging 10 points and eight rebounds a game.

Behind this trio are Eric Fox (3.0), Marshall Sanders (4.8), Tom Mustoe (3.8) and sophomore Lou Silver, who averaged 20 points a and 15 rebounds for the freshmen.

Fitzsimmons, a 6-1 junior, set Harvard's single season scoring mark (629), going over 30 points per game seven different times. A transfer from Duke, he has this season and the

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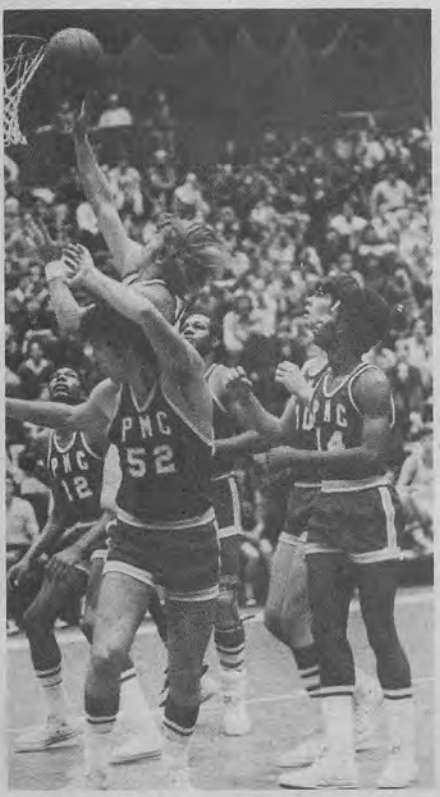
EAST

MIDDLE ATLANTIC CONF.

HANK WISNIEWSKI
Lehigh

BRUCE REMBERT
Rider

Bill Clark who averaged 9.3 pts. is one of seven lettermen who are returning to Rider.



Bob Nack (shooting) will probably start at guard for Delaware. He has fine 15.3 avg.

Kermit Washington (24) is back from the Olympic trials at American. He's nation's top rebounder.

JACK DARNALL
Bucknell

KEVIN FUREY
St. Joseph's

BILL SPEIER
Gettysburg

JIM HAGGARTY
La Salle

BOB SABOL
St. Joseph's

WALT KOCUBINSKI
Lafayette

DELAWARE

The return of five lettermen from a varsity team which had an 18-7 record and some promising sophomores from a 14-5 freshman team make prospects bright for a Division crown for Delaware.

Among the lettermen are three starters—6-1 guard Rick Hickman (8.7), 6-1 guard Bob Nack (15.3) and 6-8 center Wolfgang Fengler (13.6 points and 9.5 rebounds).

Sherwood Purnell, 6-4, who averaged 8.7, and Jim Skedzielewski, 6-5, who had a 5.8 norm, are the other two lettermen.

Nack and Hickman are likely to start at the guards but will be pressed by Billy Sullivan, a 5-11 sophomore who averaged 17.1 points.

Jim Skedzielewski, 6-5 (5.8), and sophomores Freeman Williams, Don Otto and Ken Lukhard, will fight it out for the forward jobs.

LAFAYETTE

Lafayette will be hard pressed to duplicate last year's season, one which saw the Leopards finish 21-6 and earn a bid to the National Invitation Basketball Tournament.

Among the missing is Tracy Tripucka, who set an all-time career scoring mark.

Coach Tom Davis is looking to returning lettermen 6-10 Earl Brown (7.2 points and 8.2 rebounds) and 6-5 Walt Kocubinski (18.5 points and 10 rebounds) to spearhead the team.

Another front court prospect is Jim Portray, who averaged 7.5 points as a top reserve and part-time starter. Depth will be provided by Pat Costigan and sophomore Henry Horne.

Sophomore Frank DiLeo, 6-2, who led the frosh with a 21.7 average will start at guard along with either Art Fischetti, Ron Blass, Karl Rookstool and Jack Moran.

LEHIGH

With three starters back, including top scorer Hank Wisniewski, Lehigh's new basketball coach Tom Pugliese is hopeful about his first campaign.

Wisniewski, a 6-8 center, averaged 16.5 points and 11.8 rebounds for the Engineers, who were 10-14 last year.

The other two starters back are Larry Summer (11.9) and Terry Martin (12.3). Also seeing plenty of action will be sophomores Paul Hartzell and Harold Lamert, along with Mike Holman, the latter the scoring leader on the frosh (14.4).

Rounding out the squad are Dick Zelickson, Bob D'Agosto, Konnie Reybitz and Brooks Dickerson.

Lehigh figures to be in the thick of the MAC race and should have a good shot at the No. 2 spot.

GETTYSBURG

Although Gettysburg may still be a year away from contending for the Middle Atlantic Coast Conference championship, the team will certainly be improved over 1971-72 when they were 11-12 overall and 2-8 in league play.

Coach Bob Hutton has eight returning let-

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FAIRFIELD

Fairfield will have plenty of experience and depth in 1972-73 while also fielding the tallest team in the school's history and one of the biggest in the East.

Returning are eight lettermen, including all five starters, from the club which went 12-13 last year. Head coach Fred Barakat will combine this talent with six stars from a 17-5 frosh quintet and 6-9, 240-pound Dick Backfish, a transfer from Pan American.

Leading the returnees is 6-2 George Groom, the Stags' leading scorer during the past two seasons. Groom, who averaged 20 points two years ago and 21.2 last season, shattered three school records and tied two others. He needs 12 points to reach 1,000 and 411 to become Fairfield's all-time career scorer.

Also returning are 6-6 Tom Duffy (10.9), 6-6 Steve Roman, 6-2 Ken Phelan, 6-9 Dave Bradley (14.4 points and nine rebounds), 6-5 Bob Bogad (12.3), 6-0 John Ryan and 6-4 Paul Wells.

Leading a talented sophomore aggregation is 6-3 Ray Kelly, the second leading freshman scorer in New England with a 25.6, and 6-10 Craig Moorer, who pulled in 16 rebounds a game (14.5 points).

Also coming up are 6-6 Ralph Rehn (19.9), 6-0 playmaker Jerry Lademan (13.1) 6-6 Alex Fermeglia and 6-2 Joe Morina.

BOSTON COLLEGE

Boston College's young basketball coach Bob Zuffelato will start the 1972-73 season with a squad which includes eight returning lettermen, three of them starters. Zuffelato's first team finished 13-13, winning seven of its last ten.

Add to the eight lettermen, two sophomores who did not play varsity ball, five solid performers up from the frosh (17-3) and at least three excellent freshmen and the outlook for the Eagles is good.

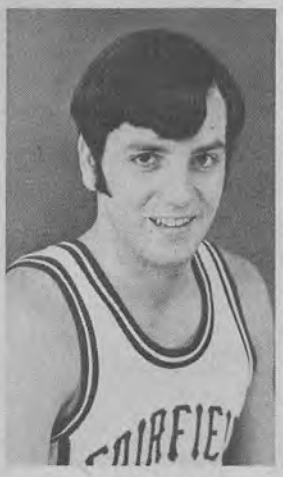
There will be an abundance of talent in the back court headed by Bob Smith, the playmaker and field general. Vets Jere Nolan and Dave Ulrich should rate the nod for the other back court position. Others in the picture are Mitch Buonaguro (18.2 with the frosh) and Vin Tracey (13.3).

Up front two starting forwards return in Dave Walker and Dan Kilcullen, both 6-6. Kilcullen was the leading scorer last year with a 14.0 average and the third ranking rebounder. Walker averaged 11.3 points. Mark Raterink, 6-6, was the sixth man coming off the bench last year.

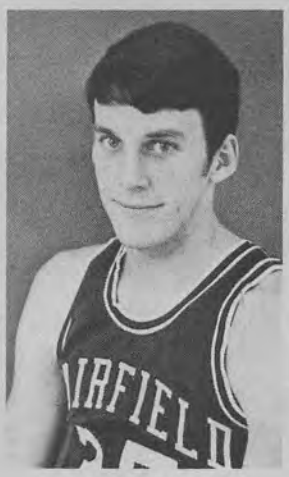
Dave Freitag, 6-7, is the leading candidate for the starting center spot. He played only 12 games a year ago due to an ankle injury. Also challenging for the spot are 6-9 Herrick Lengers and 6-8 Steve Reid.

Ivo Holland, a 6-3 leaper with great shooting range, will be the jack-of-all trades for the Eagles and could wind up playing just anyplace. He averaged 19.1 points and 10 rebounds for the frosh.

The leading frosh prospects are 6-4 Wil Morrison, 6-7 Bobby Carrington and 6-6 Syd Sheppard. *(Continued on page 52)*



GEORGE GROOM
Fairfield



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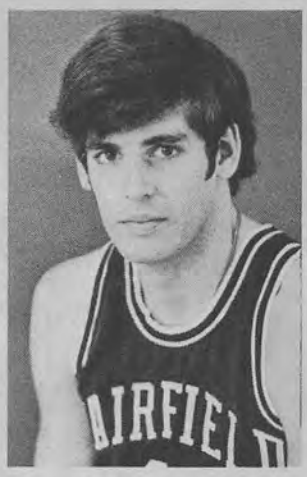

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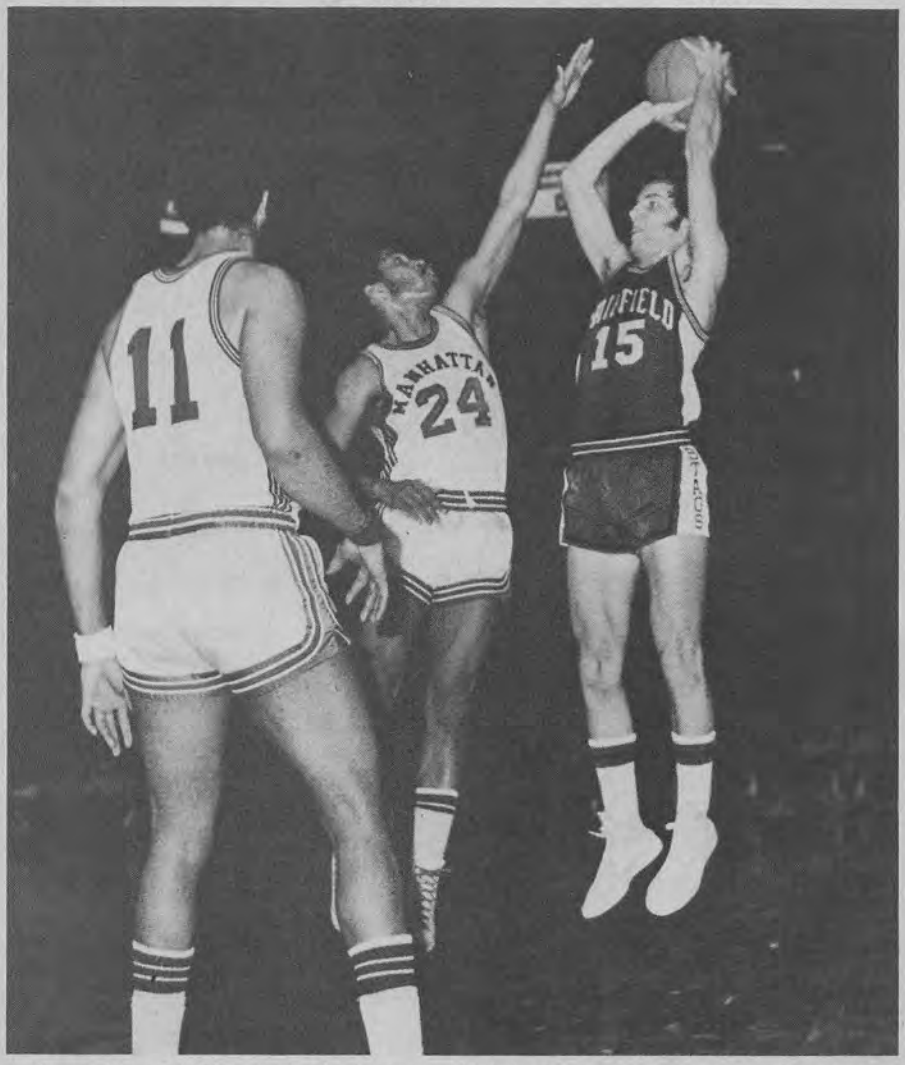
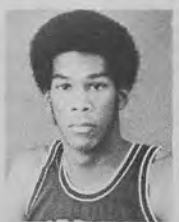
Fairfield



George Groom (15) leads Fairfield returnees. He's broken three school records, tied two.

TOM DUFFY
Fairfield

DAVE BRADLEY
Fairfield



CRAIG MOORER
Fairfield

BOB SMITH
Boston College

DAVE WALKER
Boston College

EAST — EASTERN SMALLER SCHOOLS

ITHACA

Three starters are back from the Ithaca team which won a share of the Independent College Athletic Conference and earned an NCAA College Division playoff berth.

Returning from that team are Dave Hollowell (23 points and 10 rebounds), John McCarthy and Billy Folkins. Sophomore Jim Doherty will probably start with Folkins in the back court while Steve Synakowski, the number six man, is the top bet to man the other starting forward spot.

RPI

RPI will rely mainly on sophomores in its effort to defend a share of the Independent College Athletic Conference title it earned last year.

Coach Bill Kalbaugh, entering his 20th season, will go with 6-4 John Kruger, 6-10 Jim Dunn and 6-5 sophomore Carey Dassati up front with a battle in the back court among Dan Walsh, Tom Juknis, Steve Kopp and Bill Susetka.

Others up from the 11-1 freshmen squad include Dave Sabatka and Gerry McManamy.

HOBART

Hobart last year finished 10-13 and return starters Kevin Legg, a 6-2 junior forward, Bob MacDowell, a 6-5 center and 5-11 Bruce Beswick who'd averaged 12, 10 and 9 points a game, respectively.

MacDowell, the team's leading rebounder, must get help from the freshman recruits for the Statesmen were outrebounded in all but four games last year.

RIT

A junior laden RIT squad should make a strong run at the ICAC championship this season. Coach Bill Carey's team was 13-11 last year and will have only one player missing.

The leading returning lettermen are Dan D'Andrea, who finished second in team scoring (12.6). Another standout is 5-11 Ross Brothers, the club's playmaker.

ST. LAWRENCE

St. Lawrence will have its entire starting unit returning from last season as the Larries seek to improve on their 8-15 record.

Heading the list of Coach Rich Cassara's returnees are senior center Jim Jenkins and guard Bob Braunitzer, who averaged 13.6 and 13.2 points, respectively. Jenkins also grabbed 17.6 rebounds. Other lettermen back are Jim Bessette, Bob Phanelson, Bob Werther, Ched Evans, Chris Cleveland and Steve Borowski.

CLARKSON

Three starters—Ron Stepien, Steve Unguran and Joe Wurz—return to give Clarkson a strong nucleus for the upcoming campaign.

Stepien, came on strong after sitting out most of the year with a broken foot. Unguran and Wurz were the second and third leading scorers. Unguran led the team with an average of 12.5 rebounds. Also back is Larry Jones, who was the team's quarterback.

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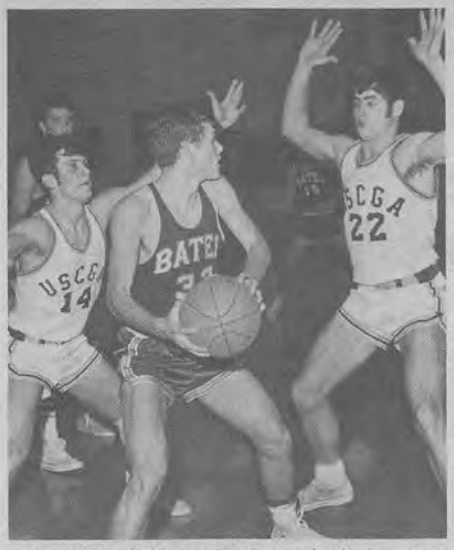

Bob Petko (14) and Pat Shuck (22) have 12.5 avgs. to lead the Coast Guard in scoring.

John Carom (52) is key to Indiana of Pa.'s hopes. He averaged 18.9 points per game.

ED MILLER
C.W. Post

MIKE PEGUES
Pitt at Johnstown

KEVIN MORRISSEY
East Stroudsburg

CARL WENZEL
St. John's Fisher

DENNIS MCDERMOTT
St. Francis N.Y.

At 6'3" Geoff Walker (24) is part of small but potent Union C. front line.

J.C. Carter (25) is one of four starters back at Mercyhurst. His average—20.6.

Tom Dux's 11.5 average is tops at Montclair. Squad was hurt by graduations.

LARRY ANDERSON
Point Park C.

RANDY ALLEN
Indiana of Pa.

TOM MILLER
Wagner

BILL CARMODY
Union

EAST — NEW ENGLAND SMALL

BOB TOWER
St. Michaels

GARY MCNATLY
Nichols C.

Frank McCormack (shooting) scored 175 pts. He will man back court for Bryant C.

FRANK COMPAGNONE
Bowdown

TIM VINCENT
Babson

LARRY ROBERSON
Merrimack

JOE WALL
New England

BOWDOIN

It's another rebuilding year for Bowdoin and coach Ray Bickness (7-13) with only two seniors returning. Six lettermen were lost through graduation.

There's a distinct lack of height too, with 6-3 Kip Crowley (17.8) forced to play center. Also back is 5-9 Frank Compagnone, who averaged 13.6 points.

Other players in contention for starting berths are 6-3 Warren Geier, 5-11 Dunc Carpenter and sophomores 6-4 Jeff Lee (18.4), 5-11 Dan Vogt (10.3), 6-2 Roy Knight, 6-2 Charlie Thalheimer and 6-5 Pete Goodwin (10.3)

BABSON

The outlook for Babson can be summed up in one word—bleak! The team will have 10 veterans back from a 7-16 unit, but lacks height and rebounding power.

The Babson strength is in the back court where All-Naismith guards Tim Vincent and Jack Teitsma return. Both have reached the 1,000 point career mark and Vincent should set a new school record. Rounding out the starting lineup will be Rod Anderson, Pete Hansen and junior college transfer Howie Emerson. Coach Bill Olson also recruited Steve Owens, a top Massachusetts prep star.

NEW ENGLAND COLLEGE

With the bulk of talent lost through graduation, New England College will be hard put to match last year's 17-9 mark, best in the school's 25-year history.

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EAST — YANKEE CONF.

CAL CHAPMAN
Connecticut

LON COHEN
New Hampshire

GARY CUTSTICK
Connecticut

JOHN MORRISON
Maine

Connecticut will rely on rangy Al Vaughn to set the pace in the club's playmaking.

Maine's Peter Gavett (40— and John Sterling (50) carry squad's rebounding burden.

HOLY CROSS

George Blaney, a former star and captain at Holy Cross, has taken over as the new head coach at his alma mater. He is hoping to build a post season tournament contender out of the remains of a club which was 11-11 last year.

Three starters are back and one of Blaney's major problems, a scoring squad, has been solved with the recruitment of 6-0 freshman King Gaskins, the all-time leading scorer (2,368 points) in Massachusetts schoolboy history.

Gaskins will be joined in the back court by Bruce Grentz, a 5-11 junior, who averaged 9.3 points a game and led the Crusaders in assists. Backup help will be provided by returnees Schone Malliet and John McCarthy and sophomores Dave Holland, Doug Downey and Mike Blaney.

The front court is headed by 6-8 Gene Doyle, who averaged 21.8 points and 12.4 rebounds last season. He was All-East, All-New England and the most outstanding player in the Yankee Conference (even though Holy Cross was not eligible for the title).

Jim Schnurr, a 6-6 junior forward, averaged 17.1 points and 11.8 rebounds. He is very strong inside and an exceptional shooter (.537).

Blaney likely will select from 7-0 John Burdis, Malcolm Moulton or Larry Reynolds for the other corner position.

Burdis averaged 2.3 points and 2.1 rebounds, playing well the last half of the season. Moulton, a 6-4 junior, who can also play guard, hit at a 6.4 average, while 6-5 Reynolds is a transfer from Becker Junior College where his stats were 21.4 points and 20.2 rebounds.

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NAIA ALL AMERICANS

JOHN LAING (S.)
Lemoyne Owne-Augustana

CHARLES EDGE (S.)
Lemoyne Owen

TOM PECK
Eau Claire State

STEVE GASPAR
Boston State

ISSAC DE VORE (54)
Midwestern (Tex.)

RON JOHNSON
Biola

CHARLES EDGE
Lemoyne Owen

NAIA ALL-AMERICA

FORWARDS

TOM PECK	EAU CLAIRE STATE (WIS.)	6-8	SR.
PETE HARRIS	STEPHEN F. AUSTIN (TEX.)	6-7	SR.
AARON JAMES	GRAMBLING (LA.)	6-7	JR.
MAJOR JONES	ALBANY STATE (GA.)	6-9	FR.
BRUCE SEALS	XAVIER (LA.)	6-8	SOPH.
RON JOHNSON	BIOLA (CAL.)	6-5	SR.
ISAAC DE VORE	MIDWESTERN (TEX.)	6-7	SOPH.
CHARLIE EDGE	LEMOYNE-OWEN (TENN.)	6-6	SR.

CENTERS

JAMES LISTER	SAM HOUSTON STATE (TEX.)	6-10	SR.
JOHN LAING	AUGUSTANA (ILL.)	6-11	SR.
CALDWELL JONES	ALBANY STATE (GA.)	7-2	SR.
LERMAN BATTLE	FAIRMONT STATE (W. VA.)	6-8	JR.

GUARDS

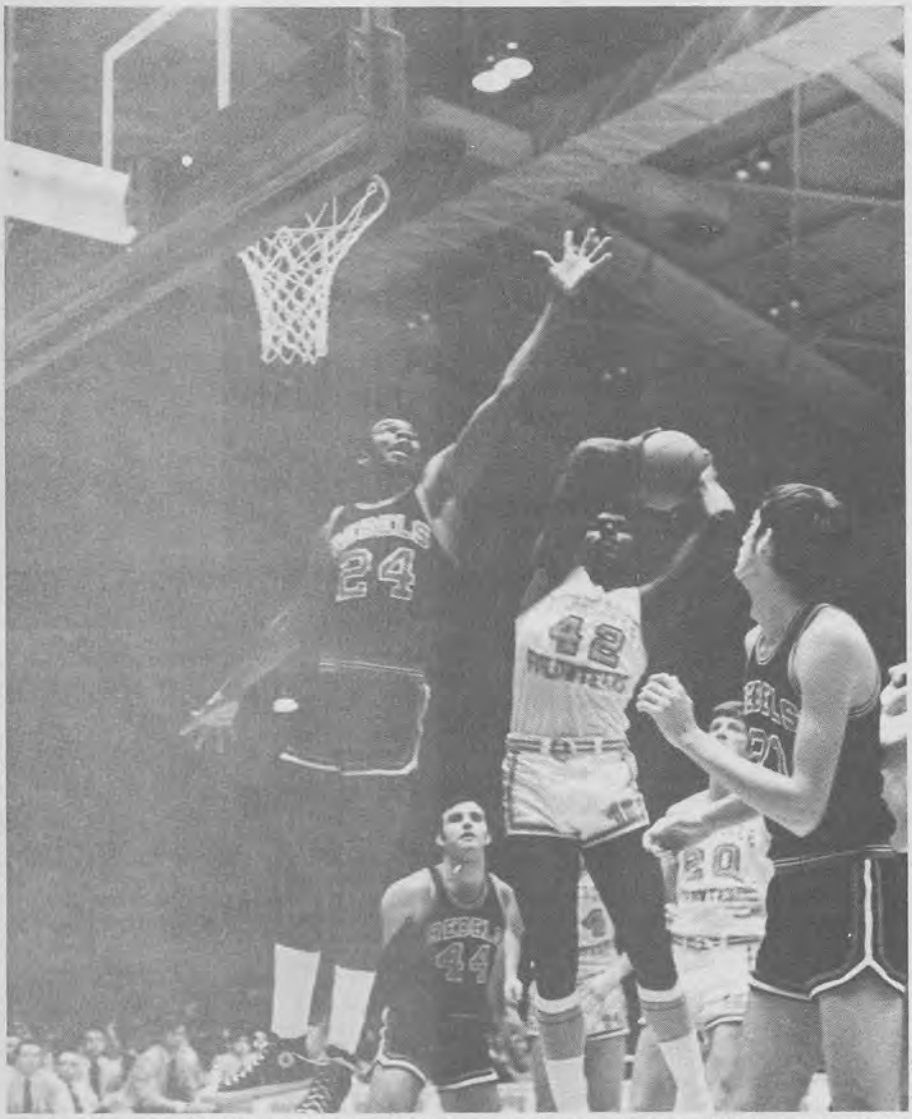
HARVEY CARMICHAEL	KENTUCKY STATE	6-3	SOPH.
HARSHEL LEWIS	WINONA STATE (MINN.)	6-5	SR.
WALT MC COWAN	PRAIRIE VIEW A&M (TEX.)	6-5	SR.
SANDY SMITH	WINSTON-SALEM (N.C.)	6-3	JR.
STEVE DATCHER	GLENVILLE STATE (W. VA.)	6-4	SR.
JOE SIMPSON	GRAMBLING (LA.)	6-3	SR.
STEVE GASPAR	BOSTON STATE (MASS.)	5-10	SR.
LESTER DENT	STILLMAN (ALA.)	6-2	SOPH.

PETE HARRIS
Stephen F. Austin

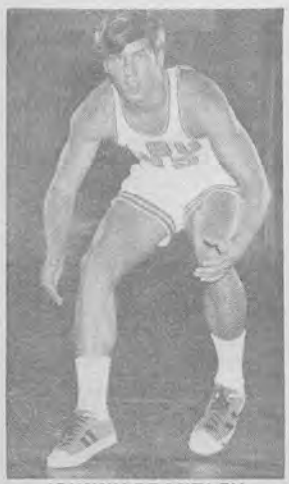
BRUCE SEALS
Xavier (La.)

SOUTH

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE



Larry Robinson (42) has nailed down Tennessee forward spot with .549 floor percentage



JOHNNY BRANTLEY
L.S.U.

MIKE CHRISTIAN
Auburn

MIKE EDWARDS
Tennessee

ALABAMA

Times certainly have changed in the Southeastern Conference. Alabama, a football powerhouse, figures to stand a good chance of winning the league's basketball title. More remarkable is the fact that the Crimson Tide will have four blacks in the starting lineup.

Bama, coached by C.M. Newton, returns Wendell Hudson, chosen in two separate polls as the SEC Player of the Year, at one forward and Glenn Garrett at the other. Ray Odums is back at guard after an All-SEC Sophomore Team performance in his rookie season. Up from the freshman team is Charles Cleveland, named the SEC Freshman Player of the Year.

Hudson, a 6-6 senior, led the team in scoring (19.6, fourth best in the SEC) and rebounding (13.1, tops in the conference) last season despite being slowed part of the year by an injured back.

Garrett, a 6-7 senior, averaged 8.8 points and 7.3 rebounds but proved his true value on defense. Odoms, a 6-2 junior, scored at a 14.6 clip and led the SEC in assists with 5.5 per game.

Cleveland, a 6-5 soph, is one of the most versatile athletes in the U.S. He was an All-American as a prep school star in both football and basketball and is still considered a first rate baseball prospect. He broke all Alabama freshman scoring and rebounding records (25.8 points and 15.9 rebounds).

The center spot is expected to be filled by freshman Leon Douglas, a 6-10 high school All-American, who averaged over 30 points and 25 rebounds his last two years at Colbert County High in Alabama.

Rounding out the squad are Ernest Odom, Paul Ellis, Farra Alford, John Dill, Randy Waddell, Eddie Knox, Andy Ott and Dale Dunn. Waddell, who averaged 15.1 last year, figures to see plenty of action as a reserve guard.

The Kentucky reign is about to fall.

KENTUCKY

There's no doubt that Kentucky basketball coach Joe B. Hall will have the toughest job in the country this season.

After all, Hall will be taking over for the legendary Adolph Rupp, who guided the Wildcats for 42 years before being forced into retirement at the conclusion of the '71-'72 season.

The pressure on Hall should be unbearable, especially if he fails to win the Southeastern Conference title which is usually conceded to the Wildcats.

It used to be that way before the other teams in the league went out and upgraded their programs.

Hall has the benefit of talent up from an undefeated freshman team which was considered the finest since the days when Cliff Hagan and Frank Ramsey were yearlings at Kentucky.

Three of the sophomores—Jimmy Dan Conner, Mike Flynn and Kevin Grevey—are expected to start, while two others, G.J. Smith and Bob Guyette, should see lots of playing time.

Grevey, who is 6-8 and will start at one forward, led the frosh with a 22.2 scoring average. O'Conner, a 6-4 forward, who is adroit at playing in the backcourt, too, averaged 19 points and was the team leader in assists. Flynn, a 6-3 guard, hit at a 15.4 pace.

Smith and Guyette both averaged over ten rebounds a game.

The Kentucky frosh won 22 straight and averaged over 100 points a game.

The remainder of the starting lineup will be filled by 6-11 senior center Jim Andrews, an All-SEC choice who averaged 21.5 points and 11.3 rebounds per contest, and 5-10 junior guard Ronnie Lyons (13.2).

If Hall decides to go for size, he can move Dan Conner to the backcourt and start 6-6 Larry Stamper, who averaged 10.3 points and 10.2 rebounds last year.

Rounding out the squad are Ray Edelman, Jerry Hale, Rick Drewitz, Dan Perry and Steve Lockmueller.

TENNESSEE

Year in and year out, the best coaching job in the Southeastern Conference is done by Tennessee's Ray Mears. Last year, the Vols, with nowhere near the raw talent of Kentucky or several other teams in the league, came within one point of winning it all.

In 10 years at Tennessee, Mears has compiled a remarkable 185-74 record. The 1967 team won the SEC title.

This time around the Vols have their top five scorers back and need only to find an adequate point guard to become a very strong contender for the league championship.

Returning are 7-0 center Len Kosmalski, voted sophomore of the year by the league coaches. He averaged 19.5 points and nine rebounds a game and was the leading soph scorer in Tennessee history. Kosmalski enters the season following a bout with mononucleosis and his stamina will be questionable during the first month.

Larry Robinson, who transferred from Ferrum J.C., wound up tallying 10.2 points and added nine rebounds a game. He also shot a creditable .549 from the floor. The other forward will be 6-7 senior Lloyd Richardson, who averaged 7.1 points and 5.3 rebounds per contest.

Mike Edwards, voted player of the year in the SEC by a wire service, is back for his senior year after averaging 19.4 points a game. Edwards has a great outside shot but tends to dominate the ball too much at times.

John Snow, who shared duty with Richardson and averaged 10.1 points is also back and will be given a shot at trying to run the offense. Mears is also high on sophomore Rodney Woods and Senior Eddie Voelker.

Mears dipped across the ocean to find a freshman recruit, 7-0 Kees Akerboom, of the Netherlands, considered the finest young player in Europe. He leads a strong frosh squad which also includes 6-10 Bob Brykalski, 6-10 John Dye and 6-0 Dave Mitchell. None were All-Americans, but they're the type of players Mears builds great teams around.

GEORGIA

Last year, prior to the season, the Georgia Bulldogs were being billed as one of the challengers for the Southeastern Conference title. They were, in fact, a pretty good club (14-12 overall and 9-9 in the SEC) and there wasn't a senior on the roster which augers well for the upcoming campaign.

This time around, coach Ken Rosemond's team has to be in the thick of the SEC race along with Alabama, Kentucky and Tennessee.

Two weaker areas of the 1971-72 team (lack of depth and lack of height) can be measurably improved with the addition of sophs 6-10 Steve Waxman, 6-7 Billy Magarity and 6-6 Taylor Lovell.

Magarity, one of four Pennsylvanians on the roster, led the freshmen in scoring with a 23.6 average and hauled in 11.7 rebounds per game. He figures to start at one forward opposite 6-6 Dick Toth, who averaged 9.6 points and 7.1 rebounds per contest.

John Fraley, who was an All-SEC choice at forward last year when he averaged 20.3 points a game, will move to the backcourt. An excellent ballhandler, Fraley will also swing to the forecourt when needed.

He'll be joined at guard by 6-3 senior Ronnie Hogue, who will be starting his third season as a regular. Hogue averaged 20.5 points per game last season, finishing as the SEC's No. 3 scorer.

At center, it will be 6-8, 225 pound Tim Bassett, who finished the season as the league's No. 2 rebounder (13.0) and managed to average 11.8 points a game.

Rounding out the squad will be Steve Zilko, Gary Adler, Kevin Cassidy, Charlie Anderson, Gino Gianfrancesco, Chip Vaughn, Taylor Lovell, Gary Nevinger, and Mike Plunkett. No frosh player is expected to provide any immediate help.

VANDERBILT

With 11 lettermen and six of the top seven players returning, basketball prospects for the upcoming campaign are definitely looking up for coach Roy Skinner and his Vanderbilt Commodores.

The Commodores were a very young team last season—four sophomores, two juniors and a senior seeing the majority of the action in turning out a 16-10 overall mark and a 10-8 fourth place finish in the Southeastern Conference.

Heading the list of returnees are last season's top two scorers, 6-4 Terry Compton and 6-5 Bill Ligon. Compton paced the Vandy scoring attack, which had five players in double figures and a team average of 86.8, with a solid 17.3 per game average while Ligon hit for a 16.7 average.

Rod Freeman, 6-7, who had a sensational sophomore year, suffered a severe ankle injury at the start of last season and was hampered the remainder of the year after returning to the lineup in January. He still managed to average 11.7 per game.

Returning with this trio are juniors 6-7 Jan van Breda Kolff, 6-6 Lee Fowler and 6-8 senior Ray Maddux. All were in the starting lineup at one time or another as Skinner shuffled his top seven players.

Van Breda Kolff, son of the Phoenix Suns coach, set a new Vanderbilt record last season with his 142 assists, while Maddux was the team's leading rebounder with almost 11 a game.

Rounding out the returnees are 6-9 Bob Chess, 6-3 Doug Bates and 6-0 Haworth Parks, along with sophs Warren McSwain, John Norton and Ben Skipper.

The Commodores came up with two "blue chip" freshmen prospects in 6-2 guard Joe Ford of Kentucky and 6-7 forward Jeff Fosnes of Colorado. Both should see considerable action during the season with Ford having a good opportunity to start by January.

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JOHN FRALEY
Georgia

DAVE RHODES
Mississippi

DANNY GUNN
Mississippi

JIM RETSECK
Auburn

RONNIE HOGUE
Georgia

ROD FREEMAN
Vanderbilt

BILL LIGON
Vanderbilt

RONNIE LYONS
Kentucky

JIM ANDREWS
Kentucky

STEVE WILLIAMS
Florida

TONY MILLER
Florida

MALCOLM WESSON
Mississippi State

COLLIS TEMPLE
LSU

WENDELL HUDSON
ALABAMA

FRED COX
OLE MISS

SOUTH ATLANTIC COAST CONF.

MARYLAND

Three years ago, Lefty Driesell proclaimed that Maryland would become the "UCLA of the East." The Terps took a large step in that direction last season when they went 27-5, set 18 team and five individual records, achieved national ranking and captured the National Invitation Basketball Tournament.

Now, the Terrapins are geared for the run at UCLA. All the records were set with a team that included four sophs, five juniors and only one senior. The 1972-73 team must be rated stronger just on experience. To sweeten things, there are several upcoming sophs and two new freshman recruits who are expected to help immediately.

The talent-rich Terps have probably more depth than any other team in the country. Only Tom McMillen, the MVP in the NIT, and burly Len Elmore are certain starters.

McMillen, a 6-11 junior, withstood a lot of season-long publicity to average 20.8 points and 9.6 rebounds a game. Elmore, a 6-9 junior, averaged 10.8 points and 11 rebounds a game and is a first class shot blocker and defensive intimidator.

From this point, Driesell can pick and choose his lineup. Up front, he has 6-6 Darrell Brown (4.2), 6-7 Jim O'Brien (12.3), 6-8 Jack Neal (1.0) and sophomores 6-8 Owen Brown (21.3), 6-9 Tom Roy (16.6) and 6-7 Varick Cutler (15.2).

Harold White (9.0) and Bob Bodell (6.4) started last year, but they will be pressed by returnees Jap Trimble (6.5), Rich Porac (2.6) and sophs Bill Hahn (9.1), and Don White (16.6). The two frosh recruits are 6-3 John Lucas and 6-3 Maurice Howard.

Maryland's pitfall may come in the ridiculous post-season Atlantic Coast Conference tournament which selects the NCAA representative. Great teams in the past have been upset and denied a shot at the national title.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE

Remember the name David Thompson. He is the new superstar of college basketball and his mere presence makes North Carolina State a legitimate contender for national honors.

Toss in 7-4 Tom Burleson, a member of the U.S. Olympic team who averaged 21.3 points as a sophomore, and the Wolfpack has the nucleus to win the very tough Atlantic Coast Conference title, Maryland notwithstanding.

"Thompson is better right now than Jerry West was when West was a senior in college," former West Virginia coach Fred Schaus says. "He is one of the ten best basketball players in the nation today, pros included."

As a freshman, the 6-4 Thompson averaged 35.6 points and 13.6 rebounds a game, including a single game high of 54. A great leaper, his vertical jump has been measured at 42 inches.

Thompson will be a swing-man under coach Norn Sloan's setup. One lineup will have Thompson, Burleson and 6-6 Rick Holdt

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North Carolina's offense will be bolstered by return of hard-driving George Karl (22).

Jim Hobgood (shooting) with 12 pt. avg. will be joined by frosh Wally Walker at Va.

OWEN BROWN
Maryland

VAN GREGG
Clemson

CHRIS REDDING
Duke

BARRY PARKHILL
Virginia

DAVE ANGEL
Clemson

EDDIE PAYNE
Wake Forest

ALAN SHAW
Duke

JOE CAFFERKY
North Carolina State

Tom McMillen who was MVP in the NIT is only one of two certain starters for Md.

SOUTH

OHIO VALLEY CONF.

MIKE COLEMAN
Murray State

HOWARD WALLEN
Morehead State

GRANVILLE BUNTON
W. Kentucky

HOWARD JACKSON
Austin Peay

MOREHEAD STATE

Morehead State coach Bill Harrell is in an enviable position for his fourth season in the Ohio Valley Conference. He has all five starters and nine of 11 lettermen returning from last year's team which won a share of the title and compiled a 16-11 record.

Heading the returnees are All-OVC picks Leonard Coulter, a 6-5 forward, and Howard Wallen, a 6-2 guard. Coulter led the league in rebounding (14.2) and was second in scoring (24.1) and was named Sophomore of the Year. Wallen broke the school record for assists and was the team's No. 2 scorer with a 16.1 average.

Other starters back are 6-5 forward Eugene Lyons (14.9 points and 6.9 rebounds), 6-8 center Ron Nicholson (9.3 points and 10.5 rebounds) and 6-4 guard Bill Dotson (12.5).

Both of the Eagles' top reserves are back—6-3 Lowell Ashby (2.3) and 6-2 Bubba Abell (5.7).

Up from the frosh are 6-5 Arch Johnson (25.2 points and 7.5 rebounds), 6-10 Mark Hudson (19.8 points and 10.7 rebounds), 6-5 Gene Frye (10.3 points and 11.4 rebounds, Glenn Turner and Jim Washington.

Leonard Coulter (35) of Morehead State was cited for Soph. All American honors.

Robert Brooks (4) adds bench strength to Eastern Kentucky. He averaged 6.8 ppg.

MURRAY STATE

If Les Taylor, the Player of the Year in the Ohio Valley Conference last season and the nation's eighth leading scorer, stays healthy, Murray State should be in the thick of the OVC championship.

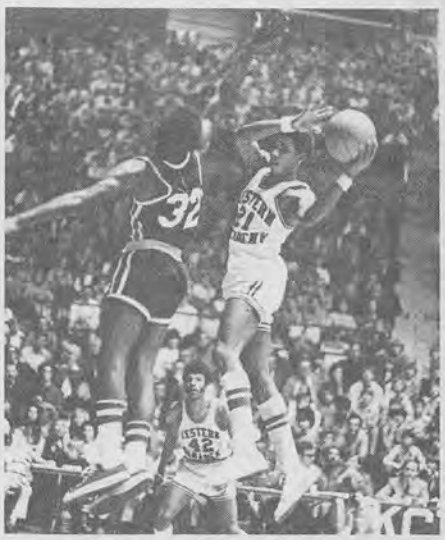
Taylor, a 6-3 senior, averaged 25.6 points and 8.3 rebounds. Midway through the season he broke a wrist and Murray proceeded to three of its next four conference games.

Two other starters return for the Racers 6-8 Marcelous Starks who averaged 14.3 point and 10.9 rebounds, and 5-9 guard Steve Barrett, who averaged 7.3.

Three fine sophomores, Mike Coleman, T.C. Jamison and Darnell Adell should help fill the remaining spots. Coleman, a 6-6 forward, averaged 32 points and 17.6 rebounds for the freshmen team. Jamison, a 6-6 center, hit 21.8 points and 13.2 rebounds and Adell, a swift 5-11 guard averaged 19.2.

Rounding out the squad will be Steve Bowers, Steve Brown, Mark House, Everett Taylor, Rick Weisman and incoming freshmen Greg Carrington, Jeff Hughes and Dave Perkins.

Les Taylor (30) is the key man at Murray State. He was Ohio Valley player of year.



Tony Stroud (21) who averaged 10.7 ppg. will open at guard for Western Kentucky.

WESTERN KENTUCKY

Western Kentucky basketball coach Jim Richards thinks his Hilltoppers team may be stronger than last year's 15-11 squad which tied for the Ohio Valley Conference title.

The reason for the optimism is his team's strength at center where two experienced players, 6-6 Granville Bunton and 6-8 Ray Bowerman both return. Bunton averaged 8.4 points and 11.5 rebounds a game. Bowerman, an adequate replacement hit for 5.7 points and 3.9 rebounds. *(Continued on page 58)*

RON MITCHELL
E. Tenn. State

RICH STONE
Tenn. Tech.

LES TAYLOR
Murray State

CHARLIE MITCHELL
E. Kentucky

SOUTH

SOUTHERN IND. MAJORS

FLORIDA STATE

When 10 players return from a team which came within five points of beating UCLA for the national championship, there's reason to be optimistic to say the least.

Florida State is that team and coach Hugh Durham seems to have bolstered this year's aggregation with the signing of two outstanding junior college players. One of them—6-7 Benny Clyde, is considered the best to come out of the Juco ranks since Spencer Haywood. The other transfer is 6-8 Otis Johnson, who will become a top reserve under the Seminole setup.

Leading the list of returnees are 6-4 Ron King and 6-10 Reggie Royals, who play wing and high post, respectively.

King, who was the high scorer in the championship game, has scored 1,162 points in two varsity seasons. He averaged 17.9 a game as a junior.

Royals averaged 11 rebounds a game in addition to his 15.7 scoring clip. As a sophomore he was the nation's 13th leading rebounder picking off 15 a game.

Lawrence McCray, at 6-11, is the other starter back from last season (low post). He averaged 12 points and eight rebounds a contest.

Little playmaker 5-7 Otto Petty will handle the vital point position with depth coming from 5-9 Dennis Burke, a sophomore.

Also back from last year are John Amick, Jim Calkin, Otis Cole, Artie Fryer and Bill Wright. Up from the frosh are Dave Brownyard, and Rich Semo.

The Seminoles had a great year recruiting from the prep ranks. They grabbed off, among others, 6-8 Greg Grady of New York, 6-5 Mike Dickerson of Decatur, Ga., and 6-5 Alphonso Smith of Albany, Ga.

Florida State has built a powerhouse!

JACKSONVILLE

Jacksonville, which has earned post-season berths the last three seasons, figures to make at run at the national crown this time around with a lineup dominated by sensational sophomores.

The Dolphins, coached by Tom Wasdin, were NCAA runners-up in 1970, reached the Regionals in 1971 and finished third in the National Invitation Tournament last year.

Three players—Harold Fox, Dave Brent and Ernie Fleming—were taken in the early rounds of the pro draft and three others were lost via graduation.

Still Wasdin is ecstatic over this season's prospects.

Up from a truly super freshman team (probably the best in the country) are six outstanding prospects, three of whom will start.

Ricky Coleman, a 6-3 guard who averaged 22.8 points and 6.8 assists per game, will start at the point guard. At one wing will be 6-5 Henry Williams, the frosh's leading scorer with a 23.9 average along with 13.2 rebounds.

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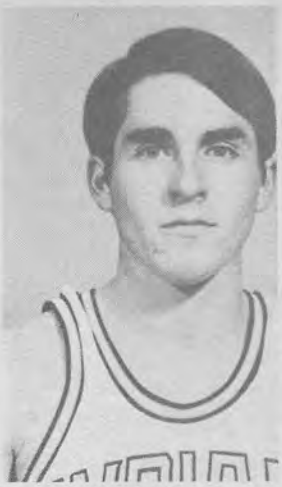
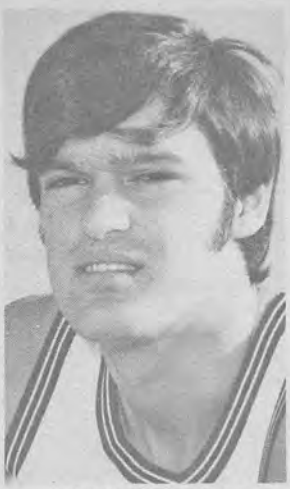


GEORGE SPACK
William & Mary

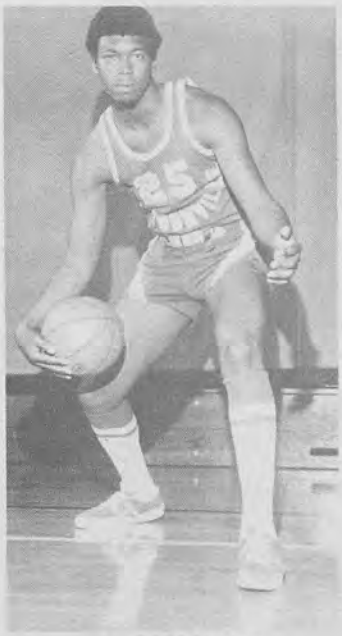


DANNY TRAYLOR
S. Carolina

RICHARD JOHNSON
Ga. Southern

Lawrence McCray (44) with 12 pts., 8 rebounds will be at low post for Florida S.

Former high school All America Clyde Burwell (50) heads banner Georgetown Sophs.



ABE STEWARD
Jacksonville U.

KEVIN JOYCE
S. Carolina

RICHARD WALLACE
Ga. Southern

LARRY DAVIS
Centenary

OTIS COLE
Florida St.

SOUTH — SOUTHERN SMALLER SCHOOLS

TEVORA GRIFFIN
Delta State

MIKE ROSE
N.E. Louisiana

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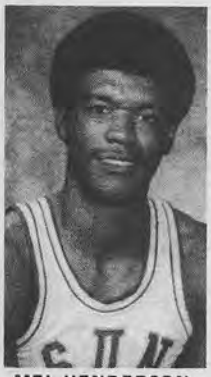
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PHIL PUGH
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GEORGE DUNCAN
Bellarmine

DONALD WATTS
Xavier

RAY PIETRAS
Frostburg

KENTUCKY STATE

The dynasty which Lucias Mitchell has put together at Kentucky State, resulting in three consecutive NAIA championships, shows no signs of letting up.

Even the loss of Travis "The Machine" Grant, college basketball's all-time leading scorer (4,046 points) and winner of the Lapchick Award as the top senior in the country, along with 6-6 Sam Sibert, also a high pro draft pick, won't be a death blow.

For starters, Mitchell has what might be the finest back court combination in the nation—major schools included.

Jerry Stafford, a 6-2 senior, is starting for the fourth consecutive year. Last season he averaged 11.5 points and his 311 assists established a new NAIA mark. His mate will be 6-3 sophomore Harvey Carmichael, who averaged 16 points a game after taking over as a starter midway through the season. Pro scouts rate him a can't miss prospect.

Two other sophomores—7-0 center Andre Hampton and 6-7 Arthur Box—are expected to play important roles this season. Hampton, who Mitchell says is a better prospect than Elmore Smith (now with the Buffalo Braves) averaged four points a game as a reserve, while Box was averaging 18 points and 16 rebounds a game before injuring his knee at mid-year.

Then there's 6-5 Leon Harris (6.3), who comes off the bench in the NAIA playoffs to personally win two games.

Mitchell is also counting heavily on several newcomers, particularly 6-10 J.C. transfer Wayne Stokes, and Bob Whitley, who, as a high school player, broke all of Oscar Robert-

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SOUTH — SOUTHERN CONF.

FURMAN

Furman figures to be one of the most exciting teams in the country this year, and will be a bonafide contender for national honors, especially if its two sophomores come through.

The Paladins, who were 17-11 last year, their best record since 1955, averaging 92.6 points a game, will be led by 6-8 Russ Hunt, who was the Southern Conference's Player of the Year and leading scorer with a 22.5 average, and 6-9 Roy Simpson, the second leading scorer (20.8). Simpson, an All-American, was the MVP in the Southern Conference Tournament.

In the post spots will be two sophomores, 7-1 Fessor Leonard and 6-9 Clyde Mayes. Leonard led last year's freshman team in scoring (24.3) and rebounding (13.9). Mayes sat out the season.

There will be ample backup help in 6-5 Gary Clark (10-1), 6-6 Bud Bierly (10.6), 6-3 Todd Brenizer (7.2) and 6-6 freshman, Craig Lynch (a high school All-American.

Baron Hill, who averaged 20.1 points for the frosh, figures to be the point-man with lettermen Steve Dougherty and Ed Kelley in reserve.

Coach Joe Williams promised a powerhouse when he arrived from Jacksonville two years ago. He will fulfill that promise this year.

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CHARLIE TYLER
V.M.I.

JOHN FALCONI
Davidson

JOHN PECORAK
Davidson

TERRY HOLLAND
Davidson

Ross Hunt (31) conference player of year with 22.5 avg. paces exciting Furman team.

OSCAR SCOTT
Citadel

MIKE MORRIS
Citadel

GREG WEBER
Citadel

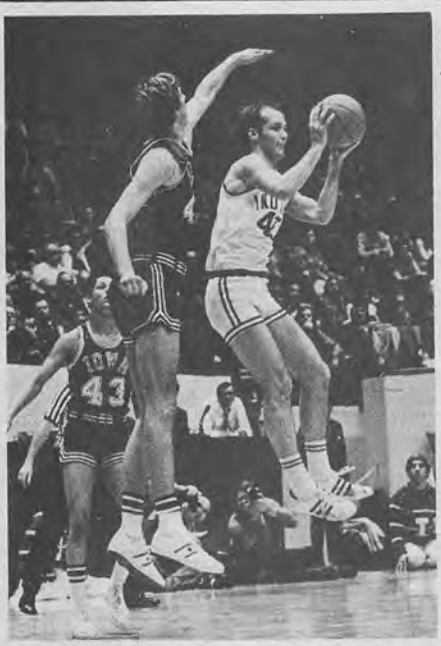
ROSS HUNT
Furman

STEVE FISHEL
Citadel

MIKE SORRENTINO
Davidson

MID WEST

BIG TEN CONFERENCE



John Ritter (white uniform) has won forward spot at Indiana with 14 pt. average.

Purdue's Denny Gamauf (44) is sound again after injury-plagued season in 1971-'72.

JOVON PRICE
Purdue

NEIL FEGEBANK
Iowa

KEVIN KUNNERT
Iowa

MARK SIBLEY
Northwestern

HENRY WILMORE
Michigan

Ken Brady 6'10" center should provide Michigan with great strength down middle.

MIKE ROBINSON
Michigan State

RICK SCHMIDT
Illinois

BOB NIX
Minnesota

CLYDE TURNER
Minnesota

MINNESOTA

Minnesota coach Bill Musselman didn't capture any "Man-of-the-Year" awards last season but his team did win the Big 10 title and finished third in the Mideast Regionals. It was a remarkable achievement for Musselman, in his first year at the school.

This time around, the Golden Gophers have a shot of making it to the NCAA championship round.

The front line of 6-8½ Jim Brewer, 6-9 Ron Behagen and 6-7½ Clyde Turner may well be the best in the country.

Brewer, a member of the 1972 Olympic Team, was the Big Ten's most valuable player last season. He only averaged 10 points and 11 rebounds a game, but his shot blocking and all-around defensive prowess is superb.

Behagen averaged 16.3 points and 10.4 rebounds in 14 games before having to drop out, along with 6-9 Corky Taylor, following the Ohio State melee. Turner was the Gophers leading scorer with an 18.6 average and is an excellent outside shooter.

Senior Bob Nix, the 6-3 point guard, will quarterback the Minnesota offense with 6-5 Keith Young holding down the wing spot. Dave Winfield, a 6-6 senior, who was recruited off an intramural squad and wound up starting, will provide extra bench strength.

Another player with a shot at a starting job is 6-5 guard, Bob Larson, who was a Juco All-American. Other backup help will come from sophomores 6-5 Greg Olson and 6-5 Charles Sims.

Musselman is also high on Tommy Barker, a 6-11 freshman from Texas. Barker averaged 30 points and 21 points a game. He figures to be a star.

The Gophers will face a lot of abuse on the road this year. If the team can stand the pressure, there's no telling how far it will go . . . all the way, maybe!

OHIO STATE

Nine lettermen return for Ohio State with only defensive specialist Mark Minor gone from the team which compiled an 18-6 overall mark and finished second in the Big Ten with a 10-4 mark—one game behind Minnesota.

Allen Hornyak, a 6-3 senior (21.6) and an alternate on the Olympic team, and Dan Gerhard (11.3) return at guards to give the Buckeyes two of the best outside shooters in the conference. However, Gerhard could face a season long battle for his spot with junior Gary Repella and freshman Joe Allen Stepp. As a prep school senior, Stepp averaged 34 points a game. The native of Kermit, W. Va. has been compared favorably with Jerry West.

Luke Witte, the 6-11 senior center, who was the focal point of the Minnesota fracas, returns for another go-around. He was selected as an alternate on the Olympic team, too. Last season, Witte averaged 17 points and 12 rebounds a game, shooting .512 from the floor.

Witte will be backed up by either 6-8 Mark Wager, shifted from forward, or 6-9 freshman Craig Taylor, acclaimed as the Ohio High School Class AAA Player of the Year.

Wardell Jackson, Ohio's second leading rebounder last year, returns at one forward. The 6-7 junior finished last season in impressive style (10.5) and could be one of the Buckeye's standouts, providing he learns to control his tendency to foul frequently.

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MID WEST

MIDWEST IND. MAJORS

With year's experience behind him, Jesse Jemison could win Cincinnati center spot.

LARRY BULLINGTON
Ball State

LARRY JACKSON
Champaign Central

ALLIE MCGUIRE
Marquette

DERREK DICKEY
Cincinnati

DAVE DRONZEK
Cleveland St.

PAT COMPOBASSO
Loyola of Chi.

GERALD SMITH
Detroit

JAY ECK
Xavier

GARY NOVAK
Notre Dame

RON DE VRIES
Illinois St.

CHRIS COLLINS
Ball State

CARL MACON
Indiana State

CONNY WARREN
Xavier

DOUG COLLINS
Illinois St.

MARTY MONSEREZ
Butler

DAVE HUNERYAGER
St. Joseph's

Jim Bradley (24) is the reason for optimism at Northern Illinois. He has 21.4 average.

MARQUETTE

Marquette coach Al McGuire showed a lot of class last season after it was announced just prior to the NCAA playoffs that his star junior center Jim Chones had signed a pro contract.

He refused to use Chones' loss as an excuse and, in fact, has felt all along that the boy, who was from a poor family, should get a rich contract.

This time around, McGuire has eight players returning. Other than Chones, only 6-6 Bob Lackey was lost through graduation.

But shed no tears for McGuire, for ready to move into the front line may well be the best sophomore forward in the nation 6-9 Maurice Lucas. Together with 6-9 center Larry McNeill and either 6-10 Mike Mills or 6-3 George Frazier, the Warriors should be able to battle with anyone.

Lucas averaged 28.6 points per game along with 16.8 rebounds as he led the frosh to a 15-2 record. He is another of those superstars McGuire might lose before his eligibility is used up.

McNeil started the season at forward but moved to the middle when Chones left. McNeill averaged 17.5 points in the middle and finished the season with a 13.1 average. Frazier averaged over 10 points per game after becoming a starter late in the season.

The back court is well stocked, too, led by returning starters Allie McGuire (9.1) and Marcus Washington (11.8). Also expected to push for a job are 6-4 Ed Daniels, a transfer from Indiana and Earl Tatum, a freshman who was an All-American prep star.

Rounding out the squad are Rick Campbell, Dave Delsman, Andy Frederich, Jerry Homan, Greg Johnson, Mark Ostrand, Steve Raymonds, Kurt Spychalla and Paul Vollmer.

Marquette will again be among the best teams in the country and McGuire deserves the success.

CINCINNATI

A year ago, right after Cincinnati announced it was dismissing its coach Tay Baker, the Bearcats went on a streak that saw them with 10 of 12 games to finish with a 17-9 record.

The new coach is Gale Catlett and all 12 members of that team are back and will be augmented by several outstanding upcoming sophomores. The net result should be a banner year for Cincinnati.

The Bearcats utilized eight players last season, all of whom again figure to be the top guns.

The forwards are 6-5 junior Lloyd Batts, who averaged 18.7 points per game, and 6-7 senior Derrek Dickey, who averaged 18.1 points and was the top rebounder with 10.1.

Batts had his ups and downs during the season but showed great potential and came out as the second highest scoring Cincy soph since Oscar Robertson. He also averaged 9.8 rebounds. Dickey was at his best during the streak, hitting a single game high of 40.

The pivot was pretty much split between 6-7 senior Greg Jurcisin and 6-7 junior Jesse Jemison. Both are likely to be reserves with the arrival to the varsity of 6-8, 245-pound, Mike Franklin, who averaged 19.6 points and 14.8 rebounds. Jurcisin averaged 4.5 points and Jemison 9.2 points per game.

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MID WEST

MID WEST SMALLER SCHOOLS

Tom Kozelko is Toledo's All-American candidate. He's already MAC's player of year.

BOB REPP
Toledo

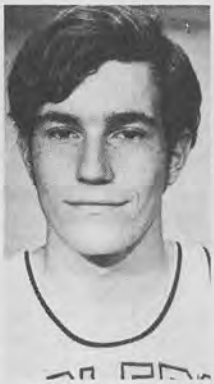
LINDELL REASON
E. Michigan

BEN KELSO
C. Michigan

SKIP HOWARD
Bowling Green

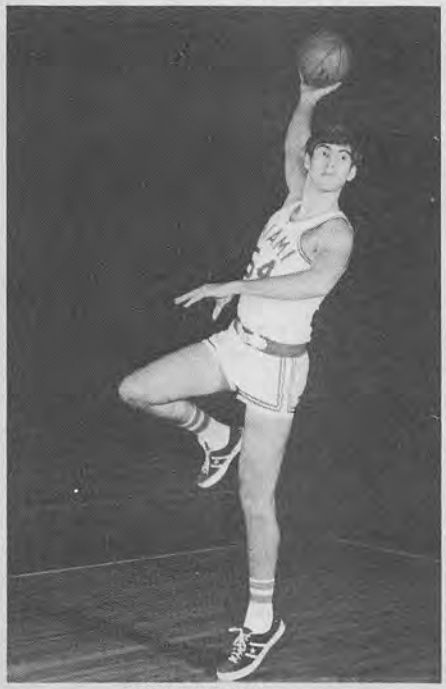
MACK OTTEN, JR.
Toledo

BRIAN SCANLON
Bowling Green



MIKE PARKER
Toledo

DWIGHT KENNER
Kent State



STEVE HANDY
Miami of O.

PHIL LUMPKIN
Miami of O.

YOUNGSTOWN

Two starters are back from the Youngstown team which finished 22-7 and competed in the NCAA College Division playoffs.

The Penguins, coached by veteran Dom Rosselli, will rebuild around Bill Wells, a 6-5 senior and Bill McMeans, a 6-4 junior. Wells averaged 11.1 points and 8.9 rebounds while McMeans hit at a 13.6 average.

The other three slots appear wide open with five letter winners—Ron Romine, Dave Burkholder, Bob Krizancic, Phil Gaston or Claude Bentley—having the inside track. Bill Hodges, a JC trasnfer and Jim Hood, who sat out last year, should also help ease the graduation losses.

ASHLAND

Four sophomores, including the sensational Bill "The Thrill" Higgins will be in the starting lineup for Ashland this year.

Higgins, who averaged 19.3 points a game, will team in the back court with Kirk Minteer, a sophomore, who hit for a 9.1 norm.

Up front for each coach Jerry Walker's team (19-7) will be sophs Marty Kaulins at center and Mike Westbrooks at one forward. The other spot will be handled by senior Dan Thallman.

Ashland also recruited a top prospect in All-Ohio prep standout 6-4 Mark Klein, who averaged 32 points a game.

GRACE COLLEGE

Coach Chet Kammerer has high hopes of equalling or bettering last year's 18-9 mark.

Grace will have four of its five starters back, including last season's top scorer, Denny Goodpaster (20.3). Scoot Jensen, Keith Hardesty and John Knisely complete the list of returning starters and along with help from Middle Tennessee State transfer Ray Streets, or Ed Miller, a post-season tournament berth is possible.

WISCONSIN-LACROSSE

New coach Burt McDonald inherits nine returning lettermen and four starters as he attempts to rebuild the Lacrosse State basketball program.

Expected to start are Dave Selbo (captain), Gerald Hibbler, Eric Haug, Myron Klug and Rich Kreul with Greg Kostechka, Dave Holmes, Ron Kriechbaum and Mark Tribodeau in reserve.

LAKELAND

Seven returning lettermen, two outstanding transfers and a fine freshman class all combine to bring a glow of optimism to the Lakeland basketball picture.

Lack of a big man has hurt the Muskies in the past, but 6-10 John Wolf should remedy that weakness. The addition of Sam Puckett, a two-time high school All-American and transfer from Jacksonville by way of Notre Dame, should help.

Three starters—Ray Heck (13.1), Dave Voskuil (16.3) and Jan Hjorth (13.5)—return. Rickey Hughes is the outstanding freshman prospect. *(Continued on page 69)*

MID WEST

MID AMERICAN CONFERENCE

AL MARTIN
Rio Grande

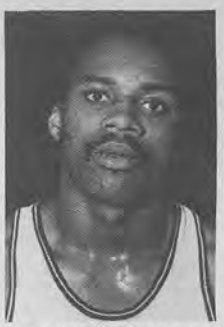
DENNIS JOHNSON
Ferris State

DENNY GOODPASTER
Grace College

DOUG HART
Rio Grande

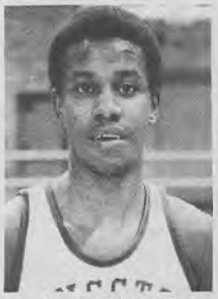
ROGER NORDGREN
St. Cloud St.

BOB SOLOMON
Wayne State



GERALD HIBBLER
Wisc.-LaCrosse

MIKE SILK
Bemidji



BILLY WELLS
Youngstown

RAY HECK
Lakeland

Mike Oden (42) whose stats are 25.4 points, 16.1 caroms is among 12 Northwood vets.

Gene Ford (shooting) is being dubbed super-guard at Muskingham, averaging 19.1.

JIM VEJSICKY
Muskingham

TODD BROWN
Muskingham

LEN PAUL
Akron

BILL HIGGINS
Akron

OHIO UNIVERSITY

Despite the loss of the two leading scorers, Ohio University still figures to make a strong run at the Mid American Conference title this season.

The Bobcats, coached by Jim Snyder, have been perennial contenders. This time around, the club will have the benefit of one of the truely outstanding freshmen in the country.

Walt Luckett, a 6-4 guard from Connecticut, might well turn out to be the best player in the league—as a freshman. He certainly has the credentials behind him. During an illustrious high school career, Luckett smashed all the scoring marks previously held by Calvin Murphy (Niagara) and Tom Roy (Maryland).

He'll start in the backcourt along with either 6-5 Bill Brown (7.0) or 5-11 Dennis Thompson (2.6).

Up front, the Bobcats are much better off with three returness—6-6 Tom Ricardi (12.4), 6-6 Dale Ball (9.1) and 6-8 Denny Rusch (9.0).

TOLEDO

Led by Tom Kozelko, an All-American candidate and four other top scorers, Toledo appears headed for the Mid American Conference championship.

Last year, the Rockets tied for the title, then lost to Ohio U. in overtime for the berth to the NCAA playoffs.

Kozelko, the MAC Player of the Year, averaged 24.3 points and 11.5 rebounds and participated in the Olympic Trials. The 6-8 senior also paced the Rockets in field goal percentage, and free throw percentage.

The best position as far as depth is concerned is forward where three of the four regulars are back. Returning are Mike Parker (10.6), Mac Otten (7.9) and Bob Repp (7.4). They'll be backed up by sophomores Jim Brown (16.8), Russ Frost (16.6) and Bill Brown (9.9).

Coach Bob Nichols has three guards back, but their combined shooting percentage was only .382. Sophomore Steve Cooper (17.1) may push ahead of one of the trio, John Hodak (8.0), Bob Conroy (4.1) or Rich Davie (3.9).

MIAMI (OHIO)

After finishing 20-5 and participating in the NCAA tournament two years ago, last season's 12-12 record was a big disappointment. Most of the problems stemmed from the fact that the Redskins lost every close game.

This season, coach Darrell Hedric returns six lettermen, including three starters.

Heading the group is 6-0 Phil Lumpkin, the leading scorer last season with a 16.7 average. Team captain Larry Garloch (10.4) and Rich Hampton (6.9) are the other two starters back. The other letter winners include Gary Dees (6.0), Steve Handy (3.3) and Kim Essenburg (2.1). Dees and Essenburg figure to get starting berths.

Some promising help is coming from the frosh team that was 10-2. Leading candidates include Bill McGinley (17.7), Steve Fields (15.4), John Freytag (13.0) and Rod Dieringer (12.8).

WESTERN MICHIGAN

Western Michigan closed last season with four successive wins and hopes the trend will continue in 1972-73.

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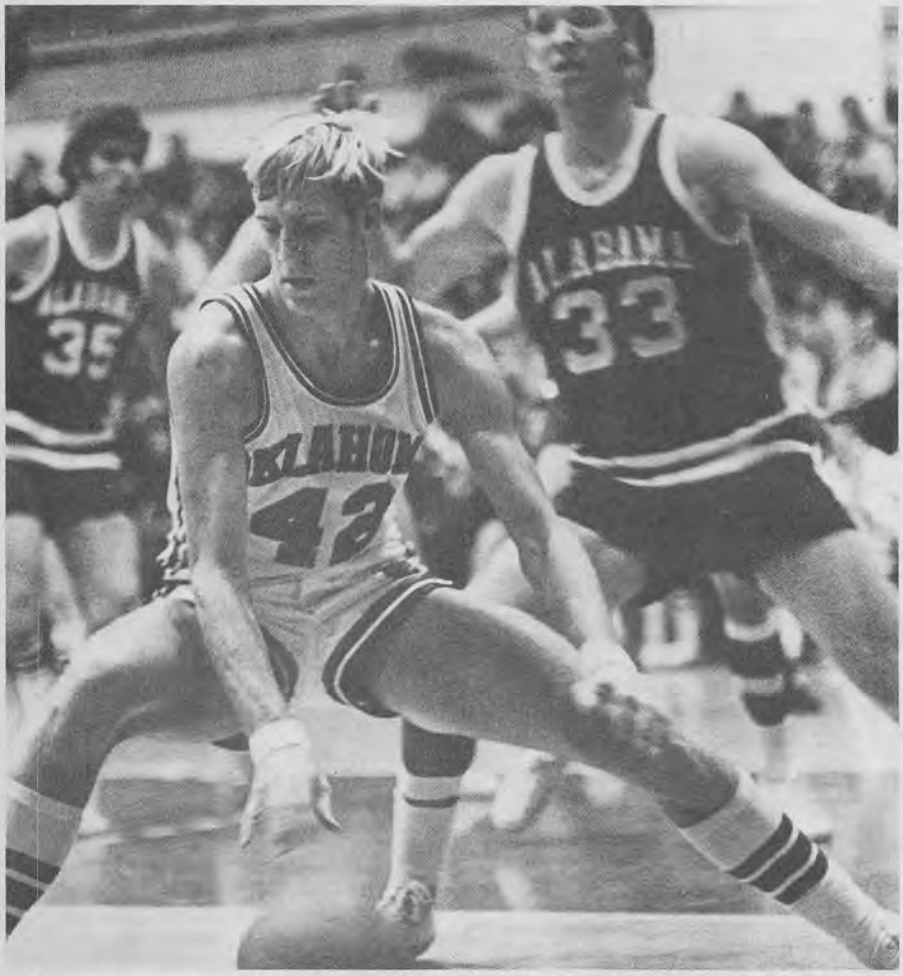
MIDLANDS

BIG 8 CONFERENCE

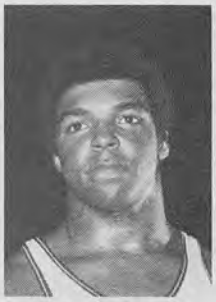


Lone returning starter at Oklahoma is Ted Evans a 6'9" center who averaged 10.2 pts.

PAUL CROWELL
Oklahoma

LON KRUGER
Kansas State

RICK LACOUR
Oklahoma



MIKE JEFFRIES
Missouri

STEVE MITCHELL
Kansas State

DANNY BEARD
Kansas State

JEROME WRIGHT
Colorado

MARTINEZ DENMON
Iowa State

ERNIE KUSNYER
Kansas State

KANSAS STATE

This could be another great year for Kansas State, the defending Big Eight champions. The Wildcats won the conference title with a 12-2 mark and finished 19-9 overall. From that team, three starters return plus the top two reserves.

"We have a chance to be a good solid club," says Jack Hartman, who guided Kansas State to its 11th title in the past 20 years.

Inconsistent guard play—a problem at this time last year—has been solved. Lon Kruger and Danny Beard did yeoman work in the back court last season. Beard, a 6-3 junior, finished second in scoring with an 11.2 average while Kruger, a 5-11 junior, came on strong at the end of the season and received one award as conference sophomore-of-the-year. He averaged 15 points down the stretch and finished with a 9.9 norm overall.

The key for the Wildcats will be on the frontline where Ernie Kusnyer returns at forward and Steve Mitchell and Larry Williams step into full-time starting roles.

Kusnyer, 6-5, was inconsistent on the scoring end (10.9, shooting .419) but should be a steadying force this time around. The other forward spot is expected to go to Williams, a 6-9 junior who averaged 5.7 points and 3.3 rebounds.

Mitchell, the 6-10 senior who was the sophomore player-of-the-year two seasons ago, is the real key to how far the Wildcats can go. He was a spot starter last year, averaging 10.1 points and 6.7 rebounds.

Coming off last year's freshman team will be Doug Snider, 6-4 forward, and Bernie Robinson, 6-3 guard, who will be of the most help. Also in the wings are freshmen Jerry Thurston, 6-7, who was Mr. Basketball in Kentucky and the much heralded 6-3 guard Chuckie Williams of Ohio.

KANSAS

Kansas will pin its 1972-73 hopes on a group of sophomores who rank among the best in the school's history.

No less than five sophs figure to challenge for starting positions with only 6-3 junior guard Tom Kivisto, last year's No. 2 scorer at 8.9 points per game, assured of a starting nod.

Last year, the Jayhawks wound up their first losing basketball season in nine years and, in the process, lost through graduation the Most Valuable Player in the Big Eight—Bud Stallworth. Most of the Jayhawks' troubles stemmed from the fact that they failed to win a conference game away from home.

Aside from Kivisto and 6-9 Randy Canfield, the only other experienced players returning are Dave Taynor, Wilson Barrow and Dale Haase. All drew starting assignments at one time or another.

Up front, coach Ted Owens will go with three sophomores—Rick Suttle, Danny Knight and Tommy Smith.

Suttle, a 6-10, 190-pound prep All-American, averaged 22.3 points and 12.5 rebounds for the freshman team which was unbeaten in 12 games. Knight, another high school All-American, who is 6-10, did not play freshman ball. He is considered one of the most promising sophomores in the Big Eight. The other forward will be Smith, who averaged 12.2 points and 11.3 rebounds a contest.

Joining Kivisto in the back court will be 6-1 sophomore Marshall Rogers, who led the frosh in scoring with a 24.3 average.

Others up from the frosh are Mike Fiddelke, Dale Greenlee and Glenn Russell while the Jayhawks also recruited three outstanding high school seniors—6-4 Roger Powell, 6-5 Nino Samuel and 6-10 Alvan Adams.

MISSOURI

With three of five starters back, including Olympian and All-American 6-7 forward John Brown, the Missouri Tigers will be in the thick of the battle for the Big Eight championship.

Brown spearheaded Missouri to a 21-6 season and a bid to the National Invitation Tournament, averaging 21.7 points and 10.5 rebounds—and set a new school record for field goal accuracy (.558). He was the outstanding player in the Big Eight's pre-season tournament.

He'll be joined at forward by 6-5 muscularly built Al Eberhard, who was picked in some corners as the Big Eight Sophomore-of-the-Year. Eberhard averaged 13.9 points, second best on the club, and collected nine rebounds.

Reserve help at the forwards will come from Felix Jerman, 6-5, who averaged 22.2 for the freshmen, and 6-7 LaMont Turner, a prep All-American out of St. Louis.

The key for coach Norm Stewart will be the play of his center. He has two candidates, both of whom were redshirted last year. Gail Wolf, who is 6-11, is the likely starter with 6-9 Rick Atzen in reserve.

Mike Jerreries, 6-4, who played forward last season, has been moved to the back court where he'll join Orv Salmon, a 6-0 senior.

Jefferies averaged 10.6 points a game and Salmon 4.0. Another possibility along the backline is 6-0 senior Jerry Stock, a two year letter winner, who scored a little better than a point per game.

Rounding out the squad are Mark Anderson, Steve Blind, Rod Denman, Bill Flamank, Ken Jenkins, Kevin King, Gary Link, Chuck Palmer, Cal Patterson, Ron Pexa, Glenn Robinson, Ed Stoll, and Jay Vocke.

IOWA STATE

With eight veterans returning and the addition of five outstanding sophomores, Iowa State figures to be a factor in the Big Eight race.

Last year, under first-year coach Maury John, who had been so successful at Drake, the Cyclones finished a disappointing 12-14. Much of the mediocre year could be attributed to John's Junior College transfers, who just never learned to play together.

Now, it's a year later and with a season under their belts, these Juco standouts should be much tougher.

Leading the way for the Cyclones is 6-2 guard, Martinez Denmon, who averaged 16.8 points a game. Filling in the other back court spot might be a problem but John has a group consisting of vets 6-1 Ernie Heft, 5-9 Mike Capobianco, sophomores 6-2 John John and 6-0 Scott Brees and 6-3 freshman Hercle Ivy.

Iowa State is well fortified at center with the return of 7-0 senior Tom O'Conner (9.4 points and six rebounds) and 6-9 sophomore Cal Stamp, who broke the one season freshman rebounding mark. John also picked up Wes Harris, a 6-8 JC transfer, who averaged 17.5 per game.

Up front, both forwards—6-7 Clint Harris and 6-6 Wayne Williams—return. Harris, the second leading scorer, hit for 15.2 points and was the leading rebounder with better than 10 a game.

Backing up this duo will be 6-6 Jim Heck (1.5), 6-6 Gary Larson (21.6), 6-8 Larry Loots (16.3), the latter two with the frosh, and 6-7 freshman Mike Benjamin.

Iowa State was 5-9 in the Big Eight last year. They should turn that around in 1972-73.

OKLAHOMA

With only four lettermen returning, including but one starter, Oklahoma coach John MacLeod will be hard pressed to match the recent successes of the Sooners over the past couple of seasons.

In four of his five years at the helm, the Sooners have finished third or better in the Big Eight with back-to-back 19-victory seasons in 1969-70 and 1970-71. Those two seasons included trips to the National Invitation Basketball Tournament. Last season Oklahoma was 14-12 and 9-5 in the Conference.

The only returning starter is 6-9 center Ted Evans, a junior who averaged 10.2 points and seven rebounds a game. He'll be backed up by 6-9 junior Tom Holland (8.4) who may also start at forward, and 6-11, 220-pound sophomore John Powell.

Most likely, though MacLeod will go with 6-3 senior Russell Burks and 6-5 junior Paul Crowell at the forwards. Burks came into his own at the end of last season. He was hampered the year before with a broken foot. Crowell, a redshirt, missed all of last season with a knee injury.

At the guards it will most likely be 6-1 junior college transfer Lee Gilbert, and 6-2 redshirt sophomore Mike McCurdy. Jay Williams and Rick LaCour, up from the freshman team, will add more depth at the position MacLeod calls his strongest. John Gorman, a two-year veteran is also back at guard.

Rounding out the squad are freshman recruits Mike Allen, John Breatwhit, Randy Gentry, Rick McNeil and Jerry Vest.

NEBRASKA

Nebraska will have a wealth of guard talent, but a shortage of experienced big men as coach Joe Cipriano enters his 10th season.

The loss of 1972's top four scorers, including the entire front line and 6-10 All-Big Eight center Chuck Jura, leaves the Huskers with a major rebuilding job.

Junior Brendy Lee is the only returning big man with much playing experience. He averaged only 2.1 points and 3.2 rebounds per contest. At 6-8, Lee will also be the tallest player on the Nebraska roster.

Lee Harris, who is only 6-2, saw some action at forward, where he averaged three points and 2.6 rebounds. Sophomore Don Jackson, 6-7, who scored at a 14.3 rate and grabbed 11.1 rebounds is another likely starter as is Tony Riehl, a 6-4 senior, who averaged 6.6 points as a swingman.

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DAVE TAYNOR
Kansas

TOM KIVISTO
Kansas

TONY RIEHL
Nebraska

TOM GREGORY
Nebraska

JOHN BROWN
Missouri

MIKE JEFFRIES
Missouri

MIDLANDS

MISSOURI VALLEY CONF.

VINCE SMITH
Wichita St.

VIRGIL TUCKER
Wichita St.

LARRY FINCH
Memphis St.

TRUMAN WARD
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TONY WRIGHT
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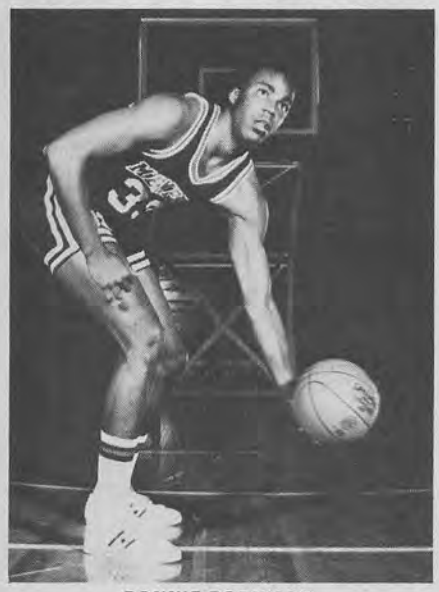
HARRY ROGERS
St. Louis

DAVE RADEMEYER
Tulsa



RONNIE ROBINSON
Memphis St.

BILL PARADOSKI
St. Louis

TREE GRANT
N. Mexico St.

WILLIE BILES
Tulsa

JERYL SASSER
N. Texas St.

JOE VOSKUHL
Tulsa

MEMPHIS STATE

With All-America candidates, Larry Finch, a 6-2 guard, and Ronnie Robinson, a 6-9 center, forming the nucleus, Memphis State will field one of the strongest and deepest teams in the country.

The Tigers, who finished in a tie with Louisville for the Valley title last year after beating the Cardinals twice during the regular season, recruited well from the junior college ranks to fill the voids left by graduation.

Robinson, who averaged 15.8 points and 13.3 rebounds a game, will probably be joined on the front line by Larry Kenon (27.6 points and 25.1 rebounds), a 6-9 first team All-America selection from Amarillo (Tex.) Junior College; and Billy Buford (23 points and 14 rebounds), a 6-7 second team All-American from Paducah (Ky.) J.C. Another Juco standout, 6-8 William Westfall, figures to see action as do lettermen Ken Andrews, Bob Foxworth and Steve Christ, along with newcomers Chuck DuVall, Terry Walton and Larry Trosper.

Finch, a two-time All-MVC selection and the league's Most Valuable Player and leading scorer last season, will start at one guard. Bill Laurie (4.3) and Doug McKinney (5.0), who split the duty at the spot last year, face strong competition from sophomores Jim Liss and Shannon Kennedy, both of whom averaged better than 20 points per game with the frosh. Senior letterman Jerry Tetzlaff should also be a strong challenger for the position.

Bartow, who was last year's MVC Coach-of-the-Year when the Tigers were 21-7 and earned a bid to the National Invitation Basketball Tournament, also came up with several blue-chip frosh, including 6-5 Bill Cook, who smashed all of John Neumann's Tennessee prep scoring marks, and 6-11 John Washington from Georgia.

ST. LOUIS

Since Bob Polk came to St. Louis in 1969, its basketball teams have improved markedly each year. This season, the Billikins, with three starters and six lettermen returning, plus several top performers from an undefeated freshman team, should make a challenge for the Missouri Valley Conference championship.

Back as starters are 6-7½ Harry Rogers, the nation's tallest guard, who averaged 18.7 points a game and was an All-Valley selection. Also returning are 6-5 senior Jesse Leonard and 6-4½ Bill Pardoski.

Leonard contributed 12.4 points and 7.2 rebounds per game a year ago. At center, Pardoski was the Valley's smallest, yet produced 9.3 points per outing.

The remaining lettermen, each a guard, saw limited action last season. Mark Frailey (6-2), Jim Brown (6-3) and Charlie Ries (6-3).

Rogers is versatile and may move to forward, depending much on the play of two sophomores.

Willie Nance, a flashy 6-2 guard, who led the frosh in scoring (16.7) and 6-10 Robin Jones, will be the deciding factors. If Nance can do the job, Rogers will make the move.

Other sophs who could play a big role in the campaign include guards Steve Craig, Wenley Morton and Jim Hackman and forwards Steve Walsh and Ralph Vallot.

Overall, the Bills have a nice blend of talent, experience and youth. Their lack of size will be countered by quickness, especially up front. *(Continued on page 71)*

MIDLANDS

MIDLANDS INDEP.

RICHARD FUQUA
Oral Roberts

OZIE EDWARDS
Oklahoma City

EDDIE WOODS
Oral Roberts

ORAL ROBERTS

Several years ago when Dr. Oral Roberts proclaimed that his school would win a national championship by 1975, the experts from coast to coast laughed aloud.

There are now three years left to fulfill the boast and it's beginning to look like the Titans will indeed at least contend for that title.

Last season, Oral Roberts' first in the big time, culminated with a 26-2 record which included a bid to the National Invitation Tournament and a win over Memphis State, co-champion of the basketball rich Missouri Valley Conference.

Now the Titans are out to prove it was no fluke. They will be tall, talented and one of the best teams in the country.

Spearheading the offense will be Richie Fuqua, a 6-4 senior guard who averaged 35.9 points a game, second best among the major college scorers. Fuqua, who throws them in from astronomical distances, was bothered the latter part of the season by a knee injury which hampered his mobility. It was corrected with off-season surgery.

Moving up to the varsity will be 7-0 David Vaughn, considered by many the second finest center in the country behind UCLA's Bill Walton. Vaughn, one of the most sought after prospects in the U.S. the year he was graduated from high school, averaged 32 points and 23 rebounds for the frosh.

Eddie Woods, a 6-7 junior, who played the middle last year, has been moved to forward where he will be joined by 6-8 Junior College All-American, Greg McDougald. Woods averaged 12.9 points and 14.5 rebounds for the Titans, who led the nation in scoring with a record 105.1 points per game. Included was a game in which the Titans scored 155 points. McDougald, a product of the New York City playgrounds, averaged 21 points and 14 rebounds a game in JC play. Ingram Montgomery, who averaged 14 points and nine rebounds will be the backup.

Joining Fuqua in the backcourt will likely be either John Patterson, a 6-6 sophomore, or Sam McCants, a 6-4 sophomore.

Coach Ken Trickey has a powerhouse. Oral Roberts should be knocking them dead this season.

CREIGHTON

Things are looking up for Creighton's basketball team as the Bluejays face the upcoming campaign.

With everyone back from the 16-11 varsity and support coming from five players on the 17-1 freshmen, coach Eddie Sutton anticipates even more improvement in the coming year.

There were no seniors on the 1971-72 team when the Jays progressed much further than anyone had anticipated.

The five leading scorers returning are 6-6 Gene Harmon (15.8), 6-7 Ralph Bobik (14.1), 6-5 Ted Wuebben (12.4), 6-3 Al Lewis (12.3) and 6-7 Gene Ellefson (9.6). Wuebben with 9.8 rebounds and Harmon with 5.1 were leaders in that department.

Also back from the varsity will be 6-0 Marc Mirsky (5.5), 6-8 J.B. LeBlance (4.2), 5-11 Bimbo Pietro (2.5).

The help from the frosh team is just what is needed. There is size and strength inside with 6-9 Doug Brookins (20.1 points and 12.9 rebounds) and 6-8 Wayne Groves (17.3 points and 11.8 rebounds). A trio of 6-5 guard-wing men are available in Dave Terek (15.4), Charles Butler (14.3) and Tom Anderson (10.8).

Sutton went for a big man in his recruiting and came up with Mike Heck, a 7-1 giant from Papillion, Neb. Also entering as frosh are Brian Long of New York City, and 6-9 Daryl Heeke from Spearville, Kan.

OKLAHOMA CITY

One of the real "darkhorse" teams in the nation this year could be Oklahoma City, which has four starters returning from a unit that won its last 10 games of the 1971-72 season.

Coach Abe Lemons, who likes a run-and-gun attack, got his team in motion midway through last year, led by his outstanding one-two forward punch of Ozie Edwards and Marvin Rich. The two, who shared leading scoring honors in all but one of the 26 games (16-10) are both back.

Edwards averaged 22.9 points a game, including a high of 35, while Rich hit at a 22.9 norm. His best single output was 38 points.

Lemons put his 7-foot center Norm Russell through a strenuous off-season conditioning program which helped the big man add 20 pounds to his frame. Russell, who averaged 11 points and 8.5 rebounds, figures to be a lot tougher around the boards.

The guards will be Mike Tosee (8.6) and James Washington, a junior college transfer from St. Gregory's.

Providing the backup help will be Larry Tribble, Mike Polansky, Jim Lackey, Roger Lanier and Jerry O'Pry.

GENE HARMON
Creighton U.

NORM RUSSELL
Oklahoma City

AL LEWIS
Creighton U.

RICHIE FUQUA
Oral Roberts

AL LEWIS
Creighton U.

MIDLANDS

MIDLANDS SMALLER SCHOOLS

FRANK STEWART
Wartburg

KEVIN BRENNAN
UMSL

Tim O'Neill (33) became leading scorer for Luther College in '71, his sophomore year.

JOHN SEIDEL
Chadron

DAVE THOMAS
SDSU

SYL CUYLER
Marymount

JIM PORTER
N.W. Missouri St.

BILL MARANO
Kan. St. Teach.

Mike Pratt (L) and Jim Steitz, two reasons UMSL looks for return to NCAA finals.

JOHN LOWE
Luther C.

CALVIN FORREST
Neb.-Omaha

MARK REFLING
NDSU

ED BURTON
Ks. St. Teachers

NAIA DISTRICT 9
OKLAHOMA

Transfers always play an important role in NAIA basketball in Oklahoma, but 1972-73 will undoubtedly see more emphasis placed on the junior college converts and four-year defectors than ever before.

Nearly all of the state's 13 schools beat the bushes for help.

Here's a run down on the 11-team Oklahoma Collegiate Conference and independents Bethany Nazarene and Oklahoma Christian.

NORTHEASTERN—The Redmen will have a new coach in Ron Cox, who was moved up after Dr. Jack Dobbins retired to become full time athletic director. Northeastern won the conference and district titles a year ago, posting a 23-8 record, and return both starting guards—5-9 Glen Feeback (12.6 avg.) and 6-2 Joe Babinski (14.2). Two front line reservies—6-6 Maurice King (4.0) and 6-4 David Kundla (8.2) also return.

Cox hopes 6-10 sophomore Joel Haas (1.6) can fill the middle slot vacated by the graduation of all-league and all-district performer John Van Vliet (20.0 and 14.5 rebounds). A juco transfer—6-7 Ron Dikeman from State Fair, Mo., could also figure in the Redman plans if he lives up to his advance billing.

WARTBURG

A big, experienced Wartburg team will be after its seventh straight Iowa Conference title.

Knight mentor Buzz Levick, the winningest coach in the college division of the NCAA, will have eight vets on hand, including 6-8 Frank Stewart, who averaged 17.0 points a game. Also back are 6-1 Pete Griffin, 6-6 Fred Waldsten, J.D. Gardner, and Jeff Bergman. Jeff Algaier, a Juco transfer, will help, too.

LUTHER

Four starters are back for Luther from the team which finished 11-13 last season.

Heading up the group are Tim O'Neil (15.2 points a game) and Rod Wiemerl (11.0).

Other likely starters are Dave Morrison, John Lowe and Greg Vieth with Jim Anderson, Gary Esboldt, Jim Bies, Chris Dvergsten, Craig Carter, Al Wicks, Bob Churchill, John Harlson, Steve Berry, Russ Leix and Chip Claussen in reserve.

NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE

With only one outstanding prospect, Jim Porter (12.3) returning from a Northwest Missouri team that was 8-18, coach Bob Iglehart went out and corraled three junior college transfers who will step into the starting lineup immediately.

Gordon Berry, 6-7, from Barton County (Kan.) figures to battle Tom Hill for the center job. Larry Villa (Iowa Western) and Mell Harvey (Penn Valley) will challenge Bob Sweeney, Phil Seifer and Don LeBois for starting duty at guard.

WILLIAM PENN

William Penn will be rebuilding following a 10-17 campaign last year. Seniors Rick Rom-

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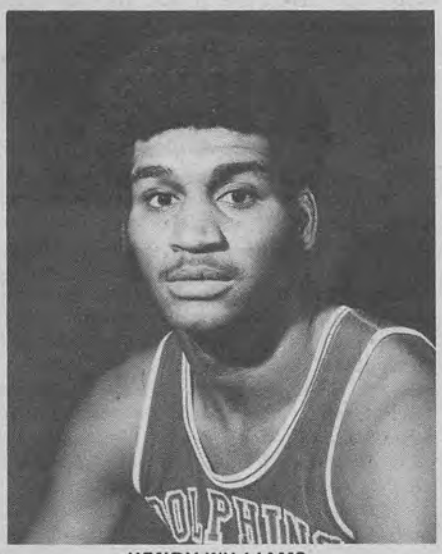
SOPHOMORE ALL AMERICANS



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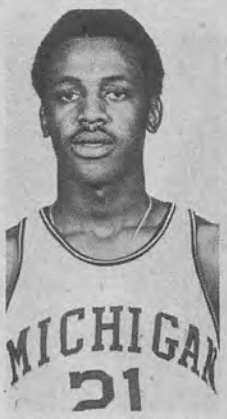
Jacksonville



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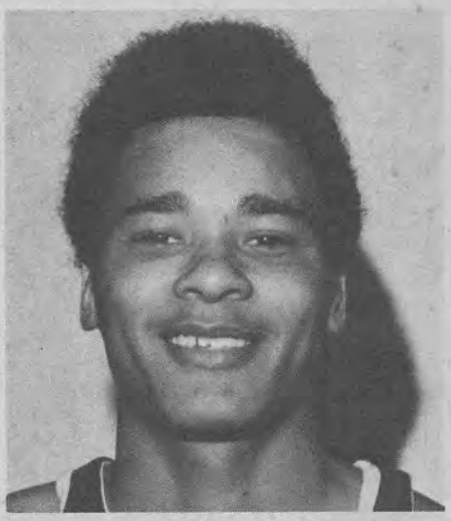

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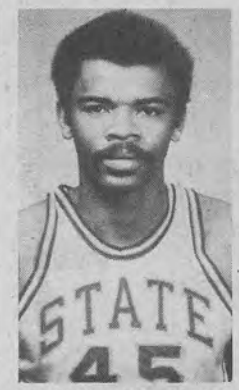

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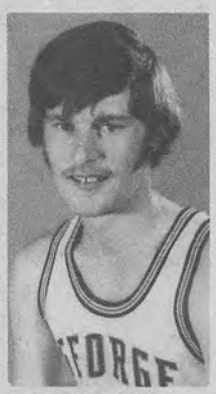

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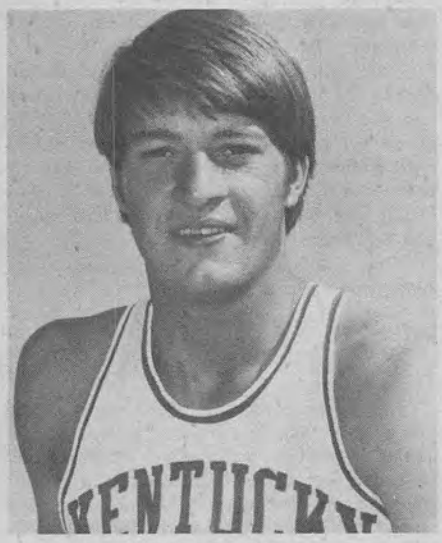
George Washington



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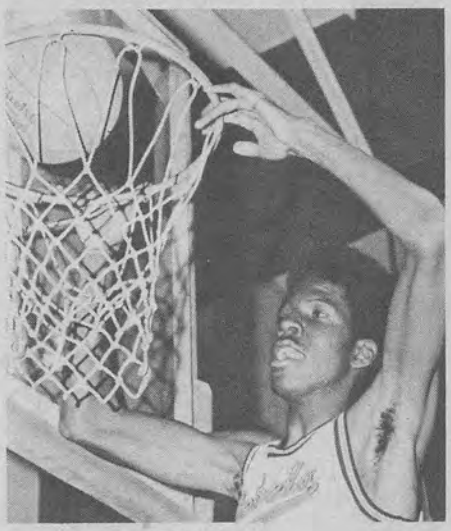

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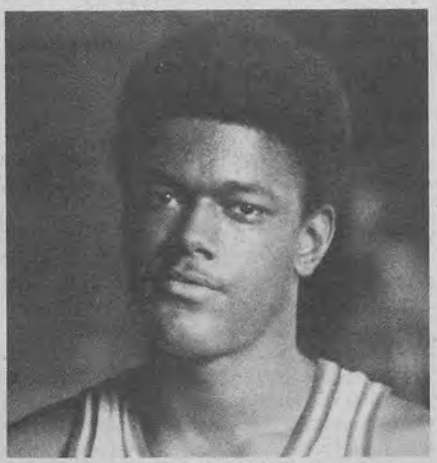
Nevada



MAURICE LUCAS
Marquette

SOPHOMORE ALL-AMERICAN

FORWARDS

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HENRY WILLIAMS	JACKSONVILLE
BOB IVERSON	NORTH TEXAS STATE
DON WASHINGTON	NORTH CAROLINA
LINDSEY HAIRSTON	MICHIGAN STATE
CLINT CHAPMAN	SO. CALIFORNIA

CENTERS

DAVID VAUGHN	ORAL ROBERTS
JOHN GARRETT	PURDUE
FESSOR LEONARD	FURMAN
BILL CAMPION	MANHATTAN

GUARDS

DAVID THOMPSON	NO. CAROLINA STATE
RAY LEWIS	LOS ANGELES STATE
GARY BROKAW	NOTRE DAME
RICKY COLEMAN	JACKSONVILLE
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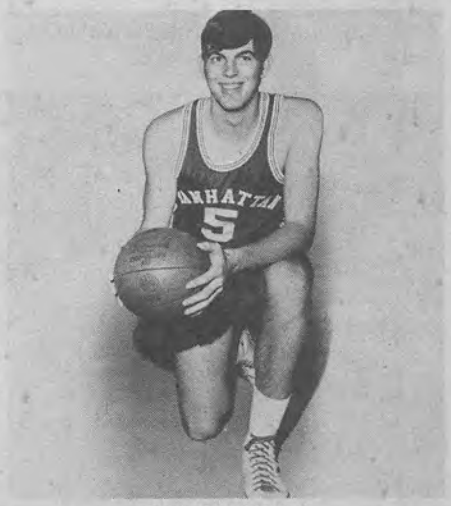

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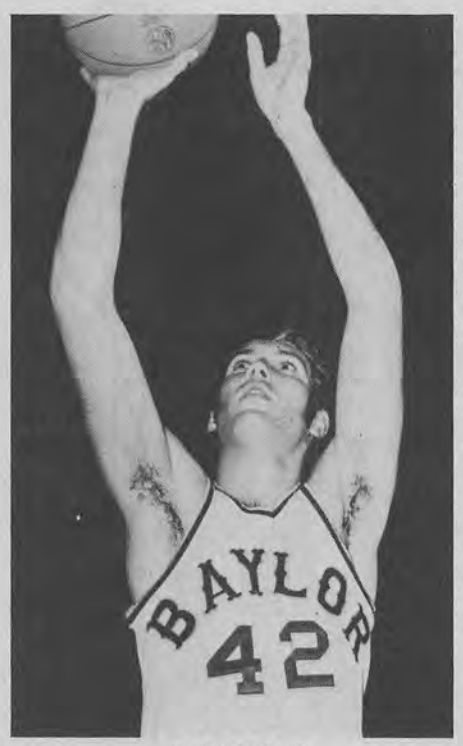
Texas



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Baylor

ERIC GROSCURTH
Texas

RUBEN TRIPLETT
S.M.U.

RANDY REYNOLDS
Rice

JAMES WILLIAMS
T.C.U.

Rick Billick (above) will continue as part of SMU's vaunted three guard offense this year.

SMU

SMU has the talent to be one of the finest teams produced by the Southwest Conference in more than a decade. If the Mustangs' newcomers jell, the team, which tied for the leage crown a year ago, should win by at least two games.

Despite the loss of three starters, the presence of junior college transfer Sam Hervey and freshman Ira Terrell, make SMU a formidable team.

Hervey, a 6-7 forward from Kilgore (Tex.) Junior College, averaged 36.3 points last season and 32.4 as a freshman. He was second leading scorer in the nation in the JC ranks in 1971-72 and turned down an $80,000 offer by the Memphis Pros.

Terrell, a 6-8 center from Dallas, was one of the top prep players in the nation. He averaged 33 points and 28 rebounds for the Texas AAAA State Champions.

They will be joined up front by 6-7 Ruben Triplett, who was All-SWC last season when he averaged 18 points and 10.8 rebounds per game. He was fifth leading scorer and second leading rebounder in the SWC.

Backing up this formidable front line will be 6-8 Rusty Bourquein, top player on last year's Baby Pony team with a 19.2 point and 13 rebound average, 6-9 freshman Jeff Cummings, and 6-8 Clayton Korver, the sixth man last year, averaging 6.8 points and 5.8 rebounds.

Zack Thiel, a 6-0 guard who quarterbacked SMU's three-guard offense last season and was second team All-SWC, averaging 10 points per contest, will likely team with 6-2 Rick Billick in the back court. In reserve are two good sophomores, 6-3 Bill Marcellus (18.3) and 6-4 Jimmy Murphy (16.5 points and 12.1 rebounds).

This is a team of the future and a year away from national prominence.

TEXAS

The Texas Longhorns return many of the key people who gave them their first Southwest Conference championship in basketball in seven years. Coach Leon Black returns four starters from the lineup which posted a 19-9 record last season, plus a trip to the NCAA Midwest Regional Tournament.

Leading the way is 6-6 junior forward Larry Robinson, the Most Valuable Player in the SWC last year. Robinson, who played a couple of games with a broken foot, averaged 21.9 points and 9.7 rebounds while shooting .503 from the floor. He was an 80 per cent free throw shooter, too.

Besides Robinson, Texas returns 6-9 senior post man B.G. Broterhous, 6-8 forward John Mark Wilson and 5-10 Harry Larrabee from the starting team.

Also back, but perhaps most likely at a new position is 6-6 Eric Groscurth, a senior who was a reserve forward. Groscurth is slated to get a look at the shooting guard position vacated by the graduation of Scooter Lenox.

Groscurth averaged 7.8 points a game, Brosterhous 9.3, Wilson 10.4 and Larabee 6.9.

Besides the returning starters, others who figure highly in the upcoming season include 6-3 Mike Dukes, who missed last year with a knee injury, 6-3 guard Steve Slaton and 6-7 Jack Louis, who figures to be the top sub among the big men.

Best of the sophomores are 6-3 guard Chris Voegele (18.6), 6-1 forward Mark Anthony (12.6) and 6-8 postman Al Heilman (11.1). The JC transfers are 6-3 guard Gary Belger, 6-3 Jon Groerich and 6-8 Rich Christiansen.

ARKANSAS

Three years ago, Arkansas had one of the worst basketball teams in the country. Its program was headed nowhere. Then Lanny VanEman was hired and, while the success has been slow in coming, the Razorbacks are being built into a valuable contender for the Southwest Conference crown.

Arkansas has the potential to improve its 8-18 record and 5-9 sixth place finish in the SWC by a good margin. The Razorbacks lose only one starter, guard Joel Jeider, and will have eight lettermen back, including six who received a starting assignment in at least one game last year.

If the Razorbacks merely turn around the close games they lost last year, they could vastly improve their record. Arkansas lost three by one-point, two by three points and one by four. The team led the SWC in scoring and ranked 17th nationally with 88.5 points per game.

Leading the way are one of the better one-two scoring punches in the nation—Martin Terry and Dean Tolson.

Terry, a 6-4 guard, established himself as one of the premier performers in the SWC, averaging 24.3 points a game, including a single game high of 46. He established 18 individual Arkansas scoring records. Tolson, a 6-8 center, came on strongly and wound up averaging 15.5 points and 9.9 rebounds. He averaged more than 30 as a frosh two seasons ago.

Joining Terry in the back court will be either letterman Jody Bass (5.3), 6-2 sophomore Rickey Medlock (33.4) or freshman 6-3 Lloyd Free.

Up front with Tolson should start with 6-7 Roger Spears (3.1) and 6-7 Doug Campbell (6.6) with 6-7 Denny White (6.4) in reserve.

VanEman would have been a threat for the title had he recruited 6-9 Major Jones from Tiller, Ark., generally acknowledged as the best high school player in the country. Instead, he went to Albany (Ga.) State.

TEXAS A&M

Texas A&M coach Shelby Metcalf is looking forward to an exciting season in 1972-73. Three starters return from a team which posted a 16-10 record and missed the Southwest Conference title by one game.

Leading the way for the Aggies is 6-2 senior guard, Mario Brown, an exceptional ballhandler, who developed into a scorer of sorts last year. Brown averaged 12.8 points a game, but shot only .420 from the floor. He recorded 115 assists, almost five a game, and the total was nearly half of the entire amount posted by the rest of the club.

Joining Brown in the back court will most likely be Mike Floyd, a 5-11 sophomore, who hit at a 20.9 clip with the Aggies, which recorded a 12-4 overall record and 8-2 in the SWC.

The center will be 6-8, 210-pound sophomore, Cedric Joseph, who also averaged 20.9 points for the frosh, including a single game high of 36. Joseph also averaged 14.9 rebounds and shot .584 from the floor. He will be pressed for his position by 6-11 Bruce Ott and 6-8 C.W. Guthrie, both junior college transfers.

Up front will be two returning starters, 6-7 Jeff Overhouse and 6-6 Randy Knowles.

Overhouse paced the Aggies in scoring with a 17.2 average and 10 rebounds, shooting .492 from the floor. Knowles hit for 12.8 a game and collected 9.1 bounds.

Rounding out the squad are Bob Gobin, Wayne Howard, Dale Donaldson, Jerry Mercer and Webb Williams.

TEXAS TECH

Texas Tech coach Gerald Myers will have eight lettermen and three starters back for the 1972-73 season.

However, the Red Raiders will need to find someone to replace the graduated Greg Lowery, a guard who set single season and career scoring marks. He averaged 24.5 points as a senior.

The Red Raiders finished last season with a 14-12 mark and were tied for the Southwestern Conference lead with two games to go.

Also the presence of several fine players up from the 11-4 freshman team and two highly-touted schoolboy signees, bolster the squad.

Tech's front line will be headed by 6-8 center Ralph Palomar and 6-10½ Ron Richardson, both of whom started last year.

Palomar averaged 15.2 points and 8.6 rebounds enroute to second team All-SWC honors. Richardson averaged 12.8 points and 9.3 rebounds.

Four returning lettermen and a sophomore will be vying for the other forward spot.

Armed with varsity experience are 6-5 Ed Wakefield (4.5), 6-6 Ron Douglas (2.5), 6-5 Gene Kaberline (2.0) and 6-9 Randy Prince (2.5). Bill Johnson, 6-6, who was All-SWC freshman, averaging 21 points and 13.2 bounds, is another possibility as is 6-9 incoming freshman Randy Bullock.

Rich Little, 6-3, started at guard as a sophomore and averaged 12.5 points. Don Moore, a junior letterman will battle sophomores Bryan Mauk (13.5) and Phil Bailey (12.3) for the other spot.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN

Texas Christian, which made a big run at the Southwest Conference title last year, finishing with a 9-5 record, is faced with a long campaign in 1972-73.

The Horned Frogs lost their top four scorers and rebounders from a team that posted an overall 15-9 mark.

The lone returnee of the top five is 6-2 guard James "Snake" Williams, a two-year regular who averaged 8.5 points a game. He'll most likely be joined in the back court by Herb Stephens, a 5-10 reserve who scored at a 6.0 rate, while seeing plenty of action.

Up front, where the Frogs were virtually wiped out, coach John Swain is undecided as to who may get the starting roles.

"It would be possible for us to start five players who have never been on the court together before, any of them," Swain said.

The possibility exists that Texas Christian

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ZACK THIEL
S.M.U.

MARK WEHRLE
Rice

MARIO BROWN
Texas A.&M

DEAN TOLSON
Arkansas

BOB GOBIN
Texas A.&M.

RANDY PRINCE
Texas Tech.

MARTIN TERRY
Arkansas

SOUTHWEST SOUTHLAND CONF.

SCHULAR ROWLAND
Arkansas State

DEAN BASS
Abilene

Larry Moore (22) 6'8" senior who hit for 10.7 average returns to Texas at Arlington.

STEVE ROBERTSON
Louisiana Tech.

MIKE GREEN
Louisiana Tech.

HENRY RAY
McNeese State

DAVID WALLACE
McNeese State

ROY EBRON
S.W. Louisiana

LONNIE WEBER
Arkansas St.

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA

With the return of four starters, including the best one-two punch in college basketball, Southwestern Louisiana figures to make a strong run for the NCAA championship.

Last year the Ragin' Cajuns were 25-4, won the Southland Conference and appeared in the NCAA playoffs.

The team is led by 6-1 senior guard, Dwight Lamar, who was the nation's top major college scorer last year with a 36.3 average. The other half of the dynamic duo is 6-9 junior Roy Ebron, who averaged 23 points, 14.2 rebounds and shot 61 percent from the floor.

Other starters back are 6-7 junior Fred Saunders (5.7 points and 9.6 rebounds) and 6-3 senior guard Jerry Bisbano (8.8 points and four assists.

Coach Beryl Shipley hopes his fifth starter will be 6-10 sophomore Fred McDonald, who averaged 14.1 points and 12 rebounds with the freshmen. Another possibility is Prep All-American 6-5 freshman Larry Fogle of Detroit.

Rounding out the USL squad are vets Mike Haney, Steve Greene, Denny Wright and Wayne Herbert and sophomores Jimmy Clark, Glenn Masson, and Willie Williams.

MC NEESE STATE

The basketball program at McNeese State has been going upward ever since Bill Reigel tood over as head coach last season. This year, the Pokes could field their best team in history.

Most of the reason for the good outlook is the outstanding recruiting job done by Reigel. He signed four players, including one of the most sought after big men in the nation.

That player, 6-11 Edmond Lawrence will step right into a starting job (providing he's eligible). He is the type who can turn a team around.

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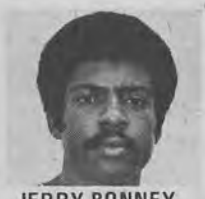
SOUTHWEST SOUTHWEST IND.

DON CARDENAS
Pan American

RANDALL PUGH
Trinity (Tex.)

PETE PERRY
Pan American



JERRY BONNEY
Houston

E.C. COLEMAN
Houston Baptist

Peter Perry (40) Pan American's flashy center is touted as All American candidate.

HOUSTON

Year after year, the Houston Cougars are one of the mystery teams in college basketball. The squad always has great talent, but just can't seem to put it together when tournament time rolls around. Even the great club which upset Lew Alcindor and UCLA was demolished in the championships. Last year was the bitterest pill—the Cougars lost to Texas in the NCAAs.

Once again, Houston is loaded! Coach Guy Lewis has eight returning lettermen, several sophomores of the superstar category and an excellent transfer.

Heading the list is 6-10 junior Dwight Jones, an All-American who played for the U.S. Olympic team in Germany this past summer. Last season, Jones performed lethargically at times, averaging 16.5 points and 13.3 rebounds, which wasn't a true indication of his ability.

Other starters back are 6-8 forward Steve Newsome (13.3), who was selected to the second team All Southwest area, 6-2 Donnell Hayes (10.0) and 6-4 Jerry Bonney (9.4).

In addition, other lettermen returning are 6-9 Sidney Edwards (4.9), 6-4 Clay Hoster (2.4), 6-4 Dave Chapman (1.5) and 6-10 Doug Worrell (1.1).

Seriously challenging for spots in the front court are a pair of sophs—6-9 forward Louis Dunbar and 6-10 Maurice Presley. Dunbar led the frosh with 27.5 points per game (15.3 rebounds) while Presley hit for 22.2 points and 19.0 rebounds a game.

The transfer is 6-2 guard Ed Riska, who averaged 19.5 points per game for Loyola (LA), which dropped basketball. He will add stability to the back court, something Houston needs desperately.

Rounding out the squad are sophs Steve Carter and Vinnie Caruso and 6-8 freshman prep All-American, Dave Marrs.

HOUSTON BAPTIST

Beginning in 1963 with an all-freshman class, Houston Baptist fielded a makeshift bas-

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SOUTHWEST

SOUTHWEST SMALLER SCHOOLS

REGINALD GRACE
E. Cent. Okla.

DAVID SALLEE
Okla. Bapt.

WARDELL JEFFRIES
Okla. Bapt.

CARL JONES
Tarleton S.

JAMES ARMSTRONG
S. Ark. St.

CHESTER HLASTA
S. Ark St.

Thurman Buford (33) provides solid under the boards play at East Central Oklahoma.

CORPUS CHRISTI

Corpus Christi coach Bill White needed immediate help against a schedule which includes Minnesota, Houston and several teams in the Missouri Valley Conference.

He hit the Juco ranks and four of them are expected to start—6-8 Julius Howard, 6-8 Leroy Lay, 6-4 Calvin Perkins, and 6-1 Dave Alvardo. They will be joined by Bruce King, a two year letterman, who averaged 19.8 points a game. Also back are Henry Grant, Kelly Bass and Roger McCray. UCC finished 7-19 last year.

SOUTHWESTERN

Coach Billy Tubbs expects Southwestern to be stronger offensively and defensively, especially in rebounding than last year's 12-16 squad.

The Pirates will be strong up front with Joe Guilory (6-7), Bob Lee (6-6) and Lou Cook (6-3).

Howard Phearse, who averaged 22.2 points a game, hitting 44 against LeTourneau is back. He's 5-10. The other guard will be Bobby Young.

MIDWESTERN

Isaac DeVore of Midwestern was one of the top freshmen scorers in the country last year, averaging 23.7 points a game. DeVore and Paul Ellis (12.9), will form the nucleus of the club which figures to be in the running for a NAIA District 8 championship.

Coach Gerald Stockton, recruited six Juco players and 10 freshmen in an effort to plug the holes. Midwestern went 17-15 in 1971-72.

SOUTHERN STATE

Southern State, accustomed to big winning seasons, may be in for a letdown in 1972-73 with only two starters returning.

Back are 6-2 guard Johnny White who averaged 15.2 points a game and 6-6 James Armstrong (10.9 points and 10.4 rebounds).

Other letter winners returning are Ron Fluker, Chester Hlasta and Shady Patton.

DISTRICT 17

Three senior basketballers from NAIA District 17 (Arkansas) were signed by the pro ranks, but talent abounds in the area teams bent on landing a berth in the national tournament in Kansas City.

Bill Vining's Ouachita Baptist University Tigers earned a spot in the 1972 NAIA tourney with second-team All-American Tommy Patterson leading the way. Giving up his senior year of eligibility, Patterson signed with Baltimore and left Vining minus one ballplayer. With due sympathy for Vining, he will return 6-4 sharpshooter Jim Hamilton (20.2), 6-5 sophomore Maurice Scarborough, and back court ace Nelson Catalina. Ouachita will not give up its title easily.

Southern State and Henderson loom as strong title contenders with Arkansas AM&N a definite darkhorse despite the loss of 6-7 ace Joe Bynes. Southern State lost only 5-11 Al Flanigan, but he was the floor general and a

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Bill Bryan (driving) a 6'6" senior is one of three returning starters at E. Texas St.

BOB KERSHAW
Howard Payne

MAURICE KING
Northeastern S.

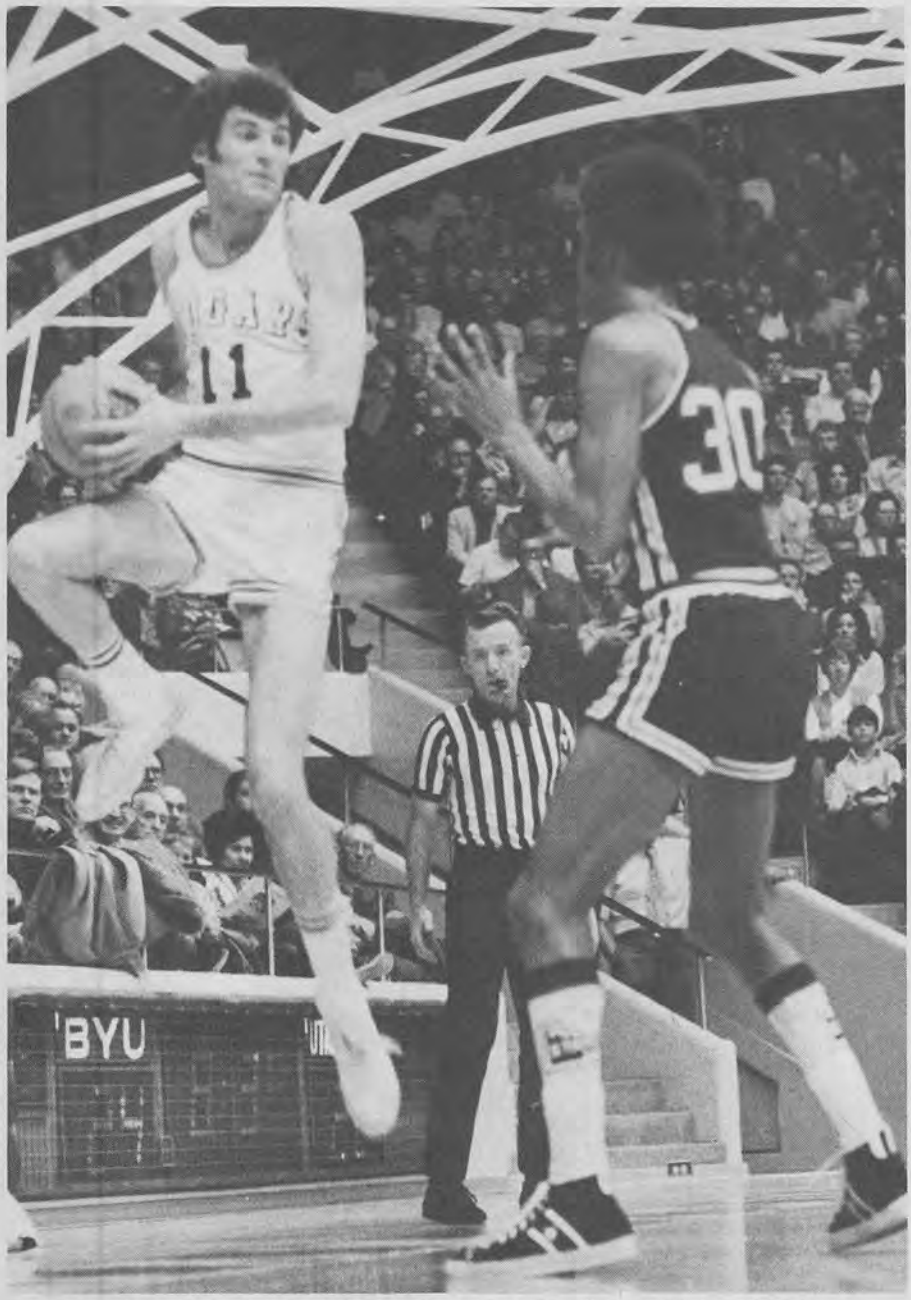
GLEN FEEBACK
Northeastern S.

JEFF WILDENBERG
Texas A.&I.

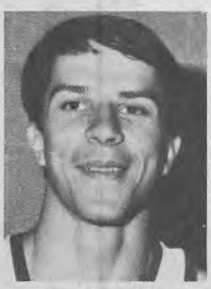
Tim Vick (shooting) leads Harding State in its quest for NAIA Dist. 17 championship.

ROCKY MOUNTAINS

WESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE



Brigham Young's Kresimir Cosic (11) ranks among top collegians. He has 22.3 average.



GARY RHOADES
Colorado St.

BILL ALEXANDER
Wyoming

JIM OWENS
Arizona St.

GABE NAVA
New Mexico

BRIGHAM YOUNG

With two straight Western Athletic Conference championships behind them and eight members of last year's squad returning, Brigham Young again looks like the team to beat.

BYU's personnel losses amounted to only two players, both regulars; all-conference guard Bernie Fryer and three-year forward starter Phil Tollestrup.

The biggest overall change takes place in coaching where Glenn Potter moves in replacing Stan Watts, a veteran of 23 seasons. Potter has been an assistant at BYU.

All-conference, honorable mention All-American Kresimir Cosic (6-11) will definitely rank with the best in the country. The Yugoslavian standout is returning for his third season (he represented his country in the Olympic Games in Munich) but won't be eligible for the post-season playoffs (one of those silly, discriminatory NCAA rules). Cosic averaged 22.3 points and 12.8 rebounds per game.

A pair of juniors, Doug Richards (6-3) and Belmont Anderson (6-3) could team on the guard line, but Anderson may anchor one of the forward spots where he got a lot of playing time last year. If Anderson is at forward, the other guard spot will likely go to Grig Clawson, a sophomore redshirt. Brian Ambrozich (6-6), who alternated at the spot most of 1971-72, seems a certainty to start.

Other lettermen returning include Kalevi Sarkalahti, Jay Bunker, Dave Baily and Craig Jorgensen.

Of the newcomers, sophomore Steve Lackey (7-0) and two other redshirts, 6-6 Mike Atwood and 6-7 Greg Snow, could see playing time. Up from the frosh are 6-9 Troy Jones, 6-6 Mark Warner and 6-6 Bob Eaglestaff.

COLORADO STATE

Speed will highlight the 1972-73 Colorado State basketball team as head coach Jim Williams enters his 18th season, shooting for his seventh major post-season tournament in the past 11 years.

The Rams will return eight lettermen including three starters. Heading up the cast is Gary Rhoades, a 6-3 guard, who earned All-District 7 honors a year ago and was named to the All-WAC second team. Rhoades averaged 19 points per game and pulled in 9.0 rebounds. An excellent penetrator, Rhoades went to the foul line 203 times last year.

Paul Ball (6-0), a starter, and Rudy Carey (6-0), a utility man on last season's 15-9 squad (7-7 in the WAC), will both return. Ball earned the honor as the club's outstanding defensive player and had an 11.7 average. Carey chipped in a 4.0 average. Mark Williams (5-11), a red shirt last season, figures to be in the thick of the battle for the guard spot.

Up front, the Rams will be looking for top play from three returning lettermen and three sophomores. Brent Baum (6-7), Mark Nordin (6-7) and John Weikel (6-5) all return but will be pushed hard by sophomores Como Pontliana (6-8), Doug Cook (6-9) and Tim Hall (6-6). Hall led the frosh a year ago with a 14.9 average. Baum averaged 4.8, Nordin 6.2, Weikel 3.3, Pontliana 13.5 and Cook 10.0. The frosh were 11-7.

Rounding out the squad are freshmen 6-8 Bob Riddle, 6-3 Steve Cribari and 6-4 Tery Larew.

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico will be under a new coach, have six returning lettermen from last year's 15-11 team and have a completely new style of game plan.

Norman Ellenberger has moved up to head coach replacing Bob King and is toying with the idea of picking up the tempo of the game and going to more of a fast break offense. For years, the Lobos have run a patient, control game playing for the percentage shot (and putting the fans to sleep).

The two leading scorers from last year have graduated but Ellenberger believes he can fill the holes with junior college players. Darryl Minniefield, a 6-8 forward, was third in scoring last season at 11.0 and was the leading rebounder with 9.8 grabs per contest.

The guard line is solid with the return of 6-2 Tommy Roberts and 6-2 Gabe Nava. Roberts, who averaged 9.8 points a game, set a school record when he scored on .874 of his free throw attempts. Nava was not a starter until mid-season, but wound up averaging 5.5.

Ellenberger will also have guard support in 6-3 Chester Fuller (7.1) and 6-1 John Fifield (2.0).

Lettermen Mike Stewart (6.8) and Mark Saiers (6-6) were spot players as forwards and will be joined by JC transfers 6-8 Bill Hagins, a third-team All-American, 6-8 Don Ford and 6-6 Bernie Hardin.

The top prospects up from the 10-8 freshman team are 6-6 Rich Pokorski (30.0), 6-5 Bob Toppert (20.8) and 6-0 Pat King (16.7).

WYOMING

Wyoming could be propelled into the foreground of the Western Athletic Conference basketball race by a healthy transfusion of junior college blood.

Four jaycees will join the Cowboys—6-9 center Ken Morgan Clark, 6-1½ guard Ron Crowell and 6-0 guard Larry Crowe, all of Casper (Wyo.), and 6-7 Willie Brown of Grand View (Iowa).

This talented quartet joins five lettermen from last year's 12-14 club and five sophomores up from the best freshman team in coach Bill Strannigan's 13 prior years at Wyoming.

Heading the list of veterans is 6-9 center Rod Penner, who was All-WAC second team last year, leading the Pokes in scoring (16.8) and rebounding (9.7). He is accompanied by 6-1 guard Denny Mountz (10.0), 6-0 guard Ken Randle (8.9) 6-5 forward Steve Rea (5.0) and 6-5 Pat Green (1.9).

The sophomore contingent is paced by 6-7 forward Bill Alexander, who led the yearling to a 13.5 mark as he averaged 15.6 points a game. The others are 6-5 forward Henry Bailey (13.6), 6-7 Steve Chervinskas (11.7), 6-5 forward Mark Gustafson (11.3) and 6-3 guard Dan Ryan (6.3).

Because of the big men available, Strannigan will shift to a triple post offense, rotating Penner, Clark, Alexander, Brown and Chervinskas on the front line.

The Cowboys finished last in the WAC in 1971-72 with a 3-11 mark. An exceptional season would be one that found the Cowboys making it into the first division. Anything better would be a miracle.

UTAH

Hurt heavily by the loss of several big men via the graduation route, Utah coach Bill Foster finds that his key need still is to find a big center. Since big centers, who can score and rebound don't fall out of the sky every day of the week, the Utes face the possibility of having to go without one.

A good nucleus of last season's team does return to give Foster something to build on. Leading scorer, Eddie Trail (14.1) will be back as will forward Scot Jones.

Despite the fact that he is only 6-4, Jones averaged 12.4 points a game and more than held his own on the boards. Other returning lettermen include Tyrone Medley (9.7) and forward Jim Sorensen (6-8) and Charles Whiting (6-6).

Bernie Tomlin, a hotshot guard up from the frosh team averaged 30.1 points per game last season and should add some firepower to the back court. In addition, Foster almost certainly has to find a spot for 6-3 freshman Luther "Tickey" Burden, a guard possessed of exceptional skills. Burden could be the top recruit of the entire Western Athletic Conference.

Dean Porter, a 6-6 sophomore should also help on the front line as might Craig Nielsen, a transfer from Snow (Utah) J.C.

Two other freshmen who might see action are 6-7 John Candelaria, and 6-3 Doug Terry. Candelaria turned down a reported $75,000 bonus contract from the Pittsburgh Pirates to attend Utah. A pitcher, he was selected in the second round.

Lou Goetz, Foster's superscout, crisscrossed the country trying to find the big man. Oh well, there's always next year.

ARIZONA

The University of Arizona made history earlier this year when it hired Fred Snowden to rebuild its sagging basketball fortunes. Snowden thus becomes the first black coach in the Western Athletic Conference.

Last year, the Wildcats were 6-20 overall and 4-10 in the Conference, the latter good for seventh place. Snowden will have a tough time improving the position in the race this time around, but he has already shown that, given a fair shake and a chance to recruit, he will build the team into a title contender.

This year, Snowden will have to rely heavily on sophomores, freshmen and the remnants of a fair varsity squad.

Top returning senior letter winners who are expected to see heavy duty are 6-3 guard Bill Norris, 6-6 forward Lynard Harris, 6-5 forward Tom Lawson and 6-6 forward Phil Edwards.

Harris, the best of the returnees, averaged 12.3 points and 9.4 rebounds a game last year. Norris averaged 6.2, Lawson 6.1 and Edwards 3.4. Also back are 6-3 guard Scott Gardner (4.6) and 6-6 forward Paul Strong (2.1).

A promising group of sophomores will be headed by 6-4 swingman Randy Echols (19.0), 6-2 guard Jeff Paul (16.9), 6-7 Dale Deschamps (15.4 points and 8.5 rebounds) and 6-5 forward Kevin Kinkaid (9.8).

Complementing the bunch are three freshmen who could evolve as varsity performers in their first year. Heading this group is Al Fleming, a 6-8 All-Indiana forward. Snowden also recruited two other standouts, 6-2 guard Eric Money and 6-9½ John Irving. Another possibility for playing time is 6-7 Jim Wakefield, a transfer from Mesa (Col.) Junior College.

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TYRONE MEDLEY
Utah

LYNARD HARRIS
Arizona

Although he's only 6'4", Utah's Scot Jones averages 12.4; holds his own on rebounds.

Heading Wyoming's list of veterans is 6'9" Rod Penner (scoring), All WAC 2nd team.

New Mexico's Darryl Minniefield (50) is top rebounder. He set UNM Arena record.

ROCKY MOUNTAINS

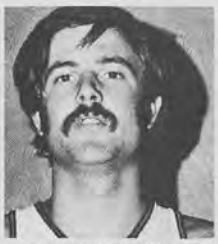
BIG SKY CONFERENCE

Biggest gun back at Idaho State is Ev Fopma, unanimous choice for All-Conference.

Mike Murray (20) and Robin Selvig (22) are specialists in the fast break at Montana U.

ROBIN SELVIG
Montana

MARK BECKWITH
Montana St.



MARTY SIEGWEIN
Idaho

MIKE MURRAY
Montana

CHARLES FLEMONS
N. Arizona

STEVE TON
Idaho

BILL COTTRELL
Boise State

GREG BUNN
Boise State

BRADY SMALL
Weber St.

SKIP MALITOR
Conzaga

FRANK CIKAN
Montana St.

NORTHERN ARIZONA

Northern Arizona's basketball coach Herb Gregg is somewhat optimistic, but with reservations, concerning Lumberjack possibilities during the upcoming season.

However, with three starters back from last year's team which recorded a 13-10 overall and 8-6 Big Sky mark, plus three others who were starters during the first semester, Northern Arizona figures to end the five year reign of Weber State.

The three returning starters, Charles Flemons, a 6-4 senior; Gerald Jeffery, a 6-5 senior; and Lester Madison, a 6-3 senior, are the key to Lumberjack fortunes. The other returnees include 5-10 playmaker Mark Champagne, who was injured in the third game of the 1971-72 season; Steve Henderson, a 6-5 forward, sidelined by scholastic difficulties, and 6-2 guard Lon Bradle.

Gregg will have promising sophomore Rich Murie, a 6-7 forward, who was injured in pre-season drills, and 1970-71 squad member, 6-1 guard Major Smith, in addition to two red shirts, 6-5 forward Tom Flack and 6-7 center Jim Collins. Additional help will come from the Juco ranks in the person of 6-10 Mike Murphy, 6-8 Jack O'Malley and 6-5 Jim McClelland.

IDAHO STATE

Last year, Jim Killingsworth took a 9-15 team with no lettermen returning and turned in a winning season. Now he has eight lettermen back from that team which posted a 14-12 mark and tied for second place in the Big Sky Conference.

The biggest gun back is 6-8½, 235-pound Ev Fopma, a unanimous choice for All-Conference. He averaged 22.3 points and shot 55 percent from the field.

Also back from the Conference squad is 6-6 forward Edison Hicks, who averaged 13 points and 11.8 rebounds per contest.

Guard Jerry Sabins (6-1) and swingman Nick Ysura (6-2) both return after averaging in double figures in conference play. Randy Craig, State's playmaker returns as does 6-7 Doc Solliday, who opened over half of ISU's games.

Cary Toone, a 6-2 guard, who was the sixth man before suffering a shoulder injury, and 6-7 forward Leroy Gibbons, the conference leader in field goal accuracy, will give further help as will 6-6 forward Chris Grier, up from the frosh and 6-5 Jim Anderson, a Juco transfer.

WEBER STATE

For the first time in the last six years, Weber State is not likely to win the Big Sky Conference. Although coach Gene Visscher has three starters returning, he lost the bulk of his scoring and rebounding strength with the departure of Bob Davis and Jonnie Knoble.

The three returning veterans are 5-10 guard Brady Small, 6-7 Rich Cooper and 6-5 Wes Van Kyke. Riley Wimberly, a 6-6 sixth man, and 6-3 guard Greg Soter had some starting experience last season, but played mostly in reserve roles.

Only one player will move up from the freshman team, but he could be one of the

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ROCKY MOUNTAINS

ROCKY MOUNTAIN INDEPENDENTS

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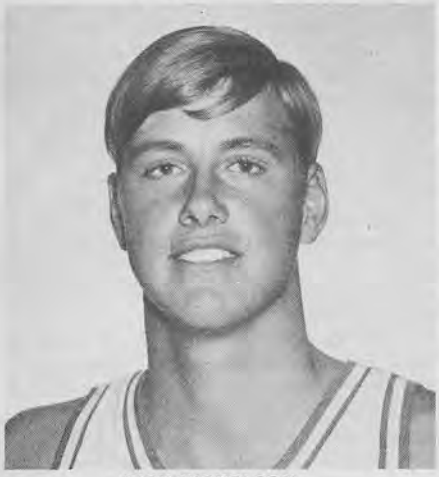
Utah State



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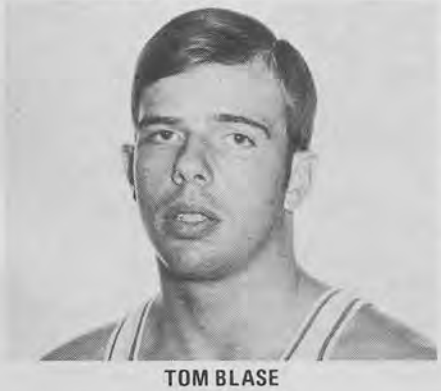
Air Force



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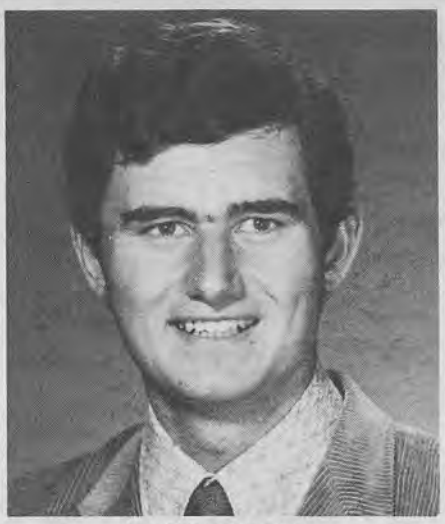

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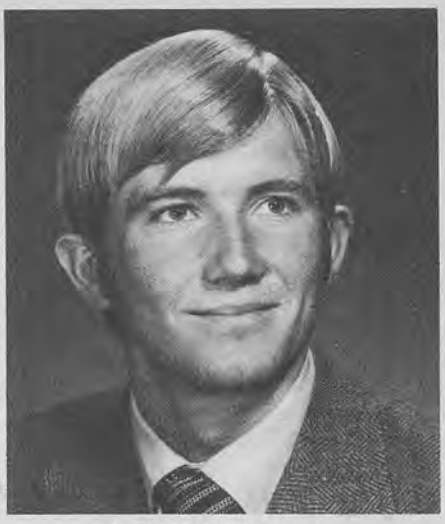


KEN THOMPSON
Utah State

UTAH STATE

Following the loss of Jeff Tebbs through graduation and Glen Hansen's departure from school, Utah State coach T.L. Plain will have to rebuild his backcourt in an effort to improve on last season's 12-14 record.

Three players—senior letterman 5-11 Ken Thompson, junior college transfer, 6-5 Jeff Suds, and sophomore 6-5 Rich Haws—will likely share the assignments with 6-3 senior Pat Cooley in reserve.

Up front, the Aggies are in much better shape, led by 6-7 Bob Lauriski, who was an All-District Seven selection last year. In 26 games, Lauriski averaged 17.4 points and 10.4 rebounds. He also participated in the U.S. Olympic Basketball trials at the Air Force Academy this past summer.

At center it will be 6-10 senior Lafayette Love, who hit 11.2 points a game and grabbed off 10.7 rebounds. He is a two year letterwinner. Backing up Love will be junior college transfers 6-11 Steve Williamson, and 6-7 Dan Dressen and sophomore 6-7 Mark Tenhoeve.

Jim Boatwright, a 6-8 junior who hit for 10.4 points a game last season is expected to start opposite Lauriski at forward, but he'll be pushed hard by Jimmy Moore, a 6-7 sophomore sensation. Moore averaged 15.3 points and 13.7 bounds for the frosh.

Rounding out the squad will be Bryan Pavlish, Ray Thompson, Kerry Rupp, Mike Rock, Darryl Owens, Bob Stokes and Nick Peterson.

AIR FORCE

Youth will once again hold the key to the fortunes of Air Force basketball. Hank Egan, starting his second season as Falcon head coach, has nine returning lettermen and lost only three—all of whom started on the front line.

Size will be a problem with the front line expected to consist of holdover 6-5 Rich Nickelson and sophomores 6-3 Jim Eken and 6-6 Walt Pekarsky, who will be the starting center.

"The accent is definitely on youth," Egan said. "The key to the season will be how fast the young players develop. The schedule is tougher, particularly early in the season so we will find out about the young players pretty quick."

There's no problem in the backcourt where Tom Blase and Mark Englebretson, both starters a year ago, return.

Blase, a 6-1 senior, led the Falcons in scoring with an 11.6 average, while Englebretson, a 6-2 junior, hit at a 6.3 norm.

Other lettermen returning are Glen Chinn, Steve Gast, Steve Gulasey, Orderia Mitchell, Jerry Olin and Gil Perry. Up from the frosh are Will Cason, Jim Dearien, Jeff Graves, Dan Kraft, Dwight Miller and Jeff Thomas.

In addition, no-letter winners back include Kent Magnusson, Stu Linder, Dave Sams and Jim Sills.

The Falcons are small and will be hard pressed to better last year's mark, even though the schedule during the second half of the season is far from imposing.

DENVER

At a school where hockey is king during the Winter, Denver's new basketball coach Al Harden faces an uphill battle for recognition and fan support.

Harden, a former standout at Indiana, takes over a club that was 11-15 last season and lost its top scorer, Dave Bustion, who averaged 20.3 points a game.

The club will have a new look with only one of the four returning lettermen. 6-5 Joe Wallace (17.3) likely to get a starting job.

Denver had an outstanding freshman team which was 20-3 and two transfers will also provide immediate help.

Joining Wallace in the backcourt will be either of two sophomores, 6-2 Len Orr (18.5) or 6-0 Ron Brenning (12.9). Reserve help will come from Sam Bridgeman, Dan Cramer, Jim Flynn, Doug Fredin, Herb Paegler and Steve Schray.

George Walls, a 6-10½ transfer from Yavapi Junior College, will get the starting nod at center backed up by 6-10 Bob Oliver, a two year letterman, who averaged 8.3 points a game last year.

Sophomores 6-6 George Zumbro (16.4) and 6-7 Jim Ludlow (17.3) will battle with 6-8 John Johnson, a transfer from New Mexico, for the two forward spots.

Also back are Steve Schray and Henry Thompson.

Denver has 15 home games which should be of benefit and most of the opposition will come from teams in the Rocky Mountain area.

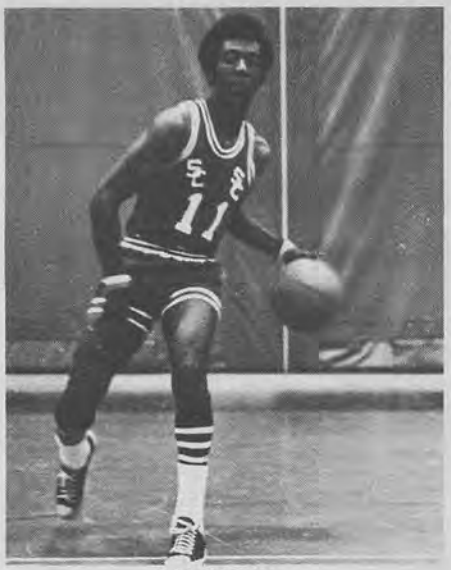
ROCKY MOUNTAINS

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SMALLER SCHOOLS

JIM WALCZAK
Great Falls

MIKE GENIESSE
Great Falls

Forward Ron Springer with 10.8 shooting avg. makes Adams S. good bet for NAIA finals.



CAL TATUM
S. Col. St.

ADAMS STATE

With four starters returning, Adams State is a good bet to return to the NAIA championships in Kansas City next March.

Up front Adams State will have 6-6 Ron Springer (10.8) and 6-5 Phil Belmore (8.7) at the forwards and 6-9 Dale Crowther (8.1) at center.

Craig Mortensen (15.7) returns in the back court and will most likely be joined by one of two sophomores—Bob Stockman or Pat Rogers.

Coach Loren Lutz's club finished 18-11 last season.

TOM PETERSON
S. Col. St.

CHARLES COX
S. Col. St.

SOUTHERN COLORADO STATE

Coach Harry Simmons has nine lettermen back, but only four saw regular action during Southern Colorado State's successful 1971-72 season which saw the Indians finish 19-9 and reach the quarter-finals of the NCAA College Division Tournament.

Top returnee is Cal Tatum, the team's leading scorer the past three seasons (17.1). He'll team with Charles Cox (5.3) in the back court with Russ Brailsfort at center and Jim Von Loh (9.8) and Tom Peterson (5.5) at the forwards.

SYD SINCOCK
S. Utah St.

KENT WAGNER
W. New Mex.

SOUTHERN UTAH

Indications are that Southern Utah will be strong where it was strong last season—quickness and rebounding—and suffer from lack of experience and size at center.

Swingman Chuck Anderson (14.2), forward Hall Hamblin (9.7) and guard Syd Sincock (6.0) form the nucleus of the squad. The center job might go to Markay Johnson, a 6-7 freshman recruit. Jim Wilding, a 6-9 junior is another possibility. The club was 11-13 last year.

WESTERN NEW MEXICO

Coach Dick Drangmeister begins his fourth year as head coach with a squad containing nary a senior. However, to improve on last year's 11-12 mark, the Mustangs' sophomores must develop.

PHIL BELMORE
Adams St.

The sophomore studded lineup will be comprised of Joe Mondragon, Ernie Signars, Robin Berg, Kent Wagner and Clarence Brooks. Also available are Hal Clopton, Billy Martin, Terry Lee and Danny Lugan, plus a host of incoming freshman.

EASTERN MONTANA

Eastern Montana faces a struggle to retain the NAIA District 5 championship it captured last season. The Yellowjackets, who were 19-6, lost their two top rebounders, including 7-2 Bill Mummert.

Heading up the returnees are Roy McPipe (19.7), Kas Ioane (16.8) and Alan Richie (5.4). Also back are Lynn Ahrens, Mike Hladky and Len Lervick.

GREAT FALLS

Great Falls has its No. 2 and 3 scorers back from last year when it reached the NAIA District finals. The back court duo of Reggie Rush and Mike Geniesse averaged 20.6 points and 17.0 points, respectively.

The rebuilding will have to be done up front. Expected to win starting berths are 6-8 sophomore Craig Bonnarens at center and 6-8 Dexter Holloway and 6-6 Jim Walczak at the forwards.

WESTERN MONTANA

The loss of three seniors plus the doubtful return of two undergrads poses a bleak basketball scene for Western Montana coach Casey Keltz.

Still five vets are back including 6-6 Mark Winans, 6-3 Doug Watson, 6-2 Clint Rouse, 6-3 Mel Rice and 6-4 Jim Allen.

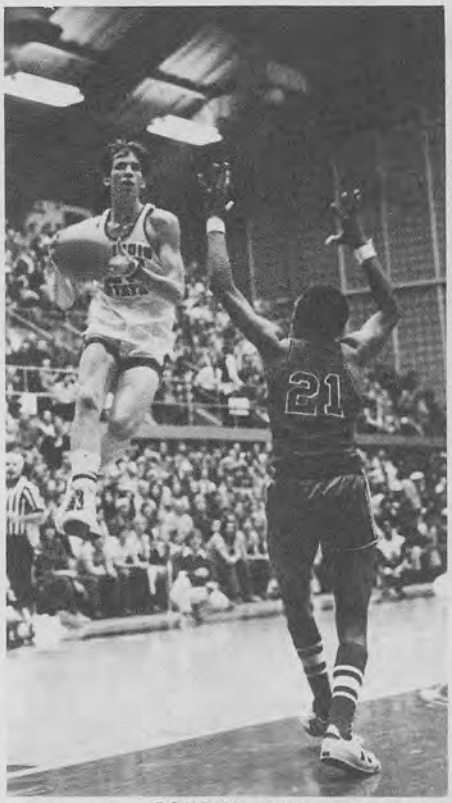
NORTHERN COLORADO

Unless Northern Colorado basketball coach Thurm Wright can come up with a big man, the Bears will be pressed to improve on last year's 4-19 record.

The Bears have outside scoring punch with guards Bob Loggins (10.7) and Bob Eaks (9.9). Underneath will be 6-5 Dennis Stone and 6-4 Lovell Hooks.

MAJOR COLLEGE ALL AMERICANS

TOM MCMILLEN
Maryland



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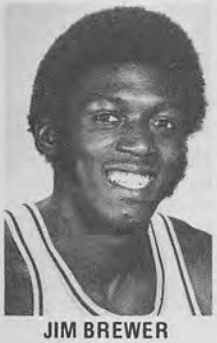
Los Angeles St.



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LUKE WITTE
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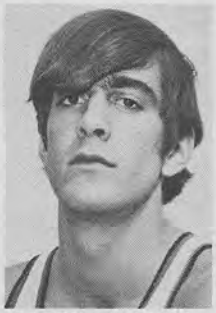

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PHIL HANKINSON
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DWIGHT JONES
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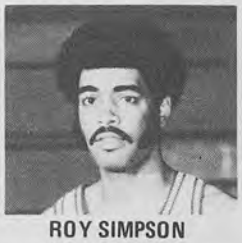

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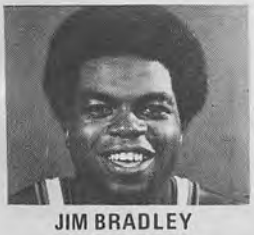
Furman

JOHN BROWN
Missouri

DAVID THOMPSON
North Carolina St.



JIM BRADLEY
N. Illinois

KEVIN JOYCE
South Carolina

FORWARDS

MEL DAVIS	ST. JOHN'S	6-7	SR.
JOHN BROWN	MISSOURI	6-7	SR.
DWIGHT JONES	HOUSTON	6-9	JR.
JIM BREWER	MINNESOTA	6-8	SR.
TOM McMILLEN	MARYLAND	6-11	JR.
ROY EBRON	S.W. LOUISIANA	6-9	JR.
PHIL HANKINSON	PENNSYLVANIA	6-7	SR.
ROY SIMPSON	FURMAN	6-8	SR.

CENTERS

BILL WALTON	UCLA	6-11	JR.
MARVIN BARNES	PROVIDENCE	6-8	JR.
LUKE WITTE	OHIO STATE	6-11	SR.
JIME BRADLEY	NORTHERN ILLINOIS	6-9	JR.

GUARDS

DOUG COLLINS	ILLINOIS STATE	6-6	SR.
ED RATLEFF	LONG BEACH STATE	6-6	SR.
TOM HENDERSON	HAWAII	6-2	JR.
KEVIN JOYCE	SOUTH CAROLINA	6-3	SR.
JOHN WILLIAMSON	NEW MEXICO STATE	6-3	JR.
DAVID THOMPSON	NORTH CAROLINA STATE	6-4	SOPH.
RAY LEWIS	LOS ANGELES STATE	6-1	SOPH.
BARRY PARKHILL	VIRGINIA	6-4	SR.

FAR WEST

PACIFIC EIGHT CONFERENCE

Guard Louie Nelson (15) of Washington is a candidate for All-Pac-8. He was third leading scorer on Husky varsity.

BOB BUELL
Stanford

MIKE MANN
Stanford

NEAL JURGENSON
Oregon State

SAM WHITEHEAD
Oregon State

REGGIE BALL
Washington

LOUIE NELSON
Washington

JEFF HAWES
Washington

RAY PRICE
Washington

BILLY INGRAM
Oregon

DOUG LITTLE
Oregon

DAN ANDERSON
USC

KEITH WILKES
UCLA

GREG LEE
UCLA

UCLA

There are now three certain things in life—death, taxes and UCLA winning the NCAA basketball championship.

The Bruins, coached by the incomparable John Wooden, have put together the most "impossible" feat in sports history, winning six consecutive crowns.

Since nine of 12 lettermen, led by All-Everything Bill Walton, are back, the seventh in a row is a good bet.

Only Henry Bibby, a three-year starter at guard, has been lost through graduation, among the players who saw lots of action. His spot is most likely to be taken over by Larry Hollyfield, who averaged 6.5 points a game as a reserve forward in 1971-72.

Otherwise everyone is back. Walton, the Player-of-the-Year in college basketball is a sophomore, averaged 21.1 points and 15.5 rebounds. He is also one of the greatest intimidators college ball has ever had. The 6-11 Californian also shot .639 from the floor.

The forwards are 6-7 super quick Keith Wilkes, who averaged 13.5 points and 8.2 rebounds, and 6-5 Larry Farmer, 10.7 points and 5.5 rebounds.

Greg Lee, the 6-4 junior who so magnificently directed the UCLA offense, had an 8.7 scoring average.

Backing up Walton is 6-11 Swen Nater, who won a berth on the U.S. Olympic team (he later quit). Nater averaged 6.7 points and is probably one of the 10 best centers in the country.

Additional up front help will come from Vince Carson, Gary Franklin and sophomore Dave Meyers and Pete Trgovich. Meyers averaged 20.2 points and 15.6 points a game and Trgovich (who can also play guard) 23.4 points. The other frosh moving up is 6-3 Andre McCarter (20.2).

Also in the battle for Bibby's job will be Tommy Curtis, who averaged 4.1 points a game.

The Bruins enter the season with a 45 game winning streak and have their immediate sights set on the NCAA mark of 60 held by San Francisco. And then, it's on to another national title.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The Southern California Trojans will have a young, talented team which figures to capture second place in the Pacific-8 basketball race.

"We'll be young with only one senior," coach Bob Boyd says. "From a pure talent standpoint we have as good a potential as two years ago." That year, the Trojans beat UCLA in a regular season game.

Last year's frosh team compiled an 18-1 record and finished with a balanced scoring attack with five players averaging in double figures—6-8 Clint Chapman (17.3), 6-7 Bill Boyd (15.4), 6-10 John Lambert (13.5), 6-3 Gus Williams (14.3) and 6-2 Biff Burrell (11.9). Another player who should see varsity duty is 6-8 Carlos Mina (8.9).

The Trojans also return lettermen 6-10 junior Mike Westra (6.9) at center, 6-2 Dan Anderson (10.5) and 6-3 Brian Heublein at guards and 6-8 Bruce Clark and 6-6 Marc Palmer at the forwards. Anderson and Westra started as sophomores last year.

Two other possibilities are forward Monroe Nash, who is returning after surgery and

5-6 junior college transfer Victor Kelley. Nash was the sixth man on the Trojans 24-2 team two years ago and Kelley led all scorers with a 30-point average in the national Juco tournament.

Boyd's main problem might be picking a starting lineup from the wealth of talent available to him.

A likely lineup would have Nash Chapman at the forwards, Westra at center and Anderson and Williams at the guards.

The Trojans also added a fine freshman prospect, Lloyd McMillian from Storm King (NY) Academy. His brother Jim plays for the Los Angeles Lakers.

OREGON STATE

Oregon State's 1972-73 basketball team should again be strong—perhaps even better than last year's when the Beavers posted an 18-10 overall record and 9-5 mark in the PAC-8.

Four of the top five scorers are back—only Freddie Boyd, a first round draft choice of the Philadelphia 76ers and his 19.8 average are gone.

The Ducks have good height and experience returning up front with 6-9 Neal Jurgenson, 6-6 Sam Whitehead, 6-9 Rick Reed and 6-11 Steve Ericksen.

Whitehead, who will start at forward, averaged 14.1 points and nine rebounds a game, the latter tops on the club. Erickson, the other corner man, hit for a 13.5 norm and collected eight rebounds a game. He came to State highly regarded as one of the best prep hoopsters in the country two years ago.

Jurgenson averaged 12.9 points and eight rebounds as the starting center while Reed collected 2.6 points and three rebounds a game.

Ron Jones, 6-4, who started in the back court with Boyd, is back. He averaged 7.7. The other spot will most likely be filled by 6-2 sophomore Charles Neal, who led the freshmen in scoring with a 20.1 average and collected 4.5 assists per game.

Rounding out coach Ralph Miller's squad will be lettermen Jim Cave, non-lettermen Gary Shontz, Dave Gruwell and Mark Henjum and sophomores Cobie Harris, Rod Hightower and Jerry Brown. Rich Plante, a 6-4 forward transferred in from Long Beach City College.

STANFORD

Stanford basketball coach Howie Dallmar is highly optimistic about the 1972-73 season. He will have the biggest team in Stanford history, including sophomore Rich Kelley, who is the first seven-foot varsity center to play for the Indians, plus more depth than ever in his 18-year coaching career.

Returning lettermen include guards Pat Rusco (6-4), and John Stratton (6-2) and forwards Dave Frost (6-5), Bob Buell (6-5), Steve Shupe (6-6) and Mike Mann (6-9). Mann was the Indians' starting center last year, but will be moved to forward this season along with Shupe, Frost or Buell, all of whom saw considerable action in 1971-72.

Mann averaged 11.2 points, Frost 10.5, Buell 9.4 and Shupe 8.4. Shupe and Mann were the rebounding leaders with averages of 7.4 and 7.2, respectively. As a freshman, Kelley averaged 18.1 points and 16.7 rebounds a game for a team which was 16-3.

Dallmar has the problem of finding new talent at the guard spot to make up for the loss of Claude Terry, who shattered the career scoring record at Stanford during the last three years.

Battling with Rusco and Stratton will be sophomores Mark Gilberg, Mike Simon and Ben Bluitt. Sophs Scott Trobbe, Mel Arterberry and Archie Dean will be used as swingmen.

The Indians were 10-15 overall and 5-9 in the PAC-8 last year. They should improve on the mark, providing some guard help can be found.

CALIFORNIA

California, which once held national prominence in basketball hopes to return to the glory days behind new coach Dick Edwards, who brings an impressive 70 percent winning record with him from Pacific.

Edwards inherits one player of proven talent and of potential star quality—6-6 senior forward John Coughran. As a junior, Coughran averaged 18.6 points per game, 8.3 rebounds and shot .476. He shattered the Cal single game scoring record with 47 points at Utah State.

To go with Coughran in the front line, Edwards has part-time starter Carl Meier who averaged 6.7 points. The other starter is likely to be 6-7 sophomore Wayne Stout, who averaged 17.8 points and 10.8 rebounds for the frosh.

Eric Long, a starter last year, returns at guard. A tough-minded player, Long shattered all Cal. assist records and averaged 6.3 points a game.

The other back court starter should be 6-3 Brady Allen. He led Laney College (Cal.), averaging 17.9 points and was named the outstanding player in the State Junior College Tournament. He also captained the Cal JC All-Star team in the National AAU basketball tournament.

Rounding out the California squad, which was 13-16 overall and 5-8 in the Conference are lettermen Lance Armstrong, Roger Dickinson and Bob Johnson, sophomores Bob Hagler and Vance Schram and JC transfer Bill Kellar.

OREGON

Oregon coach Dick Harter will continue his rebuilding program started last year and the net result is that the Ducks will have one of the youngest teams in the conference.

Last year, Oregon failed to win a game in 14 tries in the PAC-8, finishing 6-20 overall. There was solace, however, from the fact that the frosh were 19-2 and there are several outstanding incoming freshmen.

The only senior with game experience is Doug "Cowboy" Little, who was the leading scorer last season with a 15.2 average. He also led the team in rebounding with an 8.2 average and was the leader in assists.

Joining him on the front line will be Billy Ingram, who played every game as a sophomore, averaging 11.3 points and 6.8 caroms a contest.

Reserve help will come from 6-8 Gerald Willett, 6-7 Paul Benson, 6-6 Ken Stringer and freshmen 6-9 Gary MacDonald, 6-9 Bruce Coldren, 6-9 Jeff Nelson and 6-6 Bob Catchings.

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Mike Dolven (52) faces possible shift to center at Washington State. He is 6'9".

Oregon State's Steve Ericksen (34) hit for 13.5 norm, averaged 8 rebounds per game.

ERIC LONG
California

MIKE DOLVEN
Washington St.

CARL MEIER
California

DAVE FROST
Stanford

FAR WEST

WEST COAST ATHLETIC CONF.

FRED LAVARONI
Santa Clara

MIKE STEWART
Santa Clara

WILLIAM AVERITT
Pepperdine

MIKE ROZENSKI
Saint Mary's

Bill Averitt of Pepperdine was fifth leading scorer in the nation in his soph year.

MARK VIERA
Saint Mary's

DON SHAW
Loyola of A.A.

GREG WILLIAMS
Seattle

ROD DERLINE
Seattle

SCOTT KAY
Loyola of L.A.

STEVE MCFALL
Santa Clara

STEVE SMITH
Loyola of L.A.

KEVIN RESTANI
San Francisco

PHIL SMITH
San Francisco

ROBERT FLORENCE
Nevada, L.V.

Loyola of L.A.'s Don Shaw is school's best field goal shooter. He has 48.2 percentage.

SAN FRANCISCO

The future is bright at San Francisco as head coach Bob Gaillard has four of five starters returning from last year's club which was 20-8, and won the West Coast Athletic Conference.

Leading the way is 6-4 Phil Smith, called the best guard to ever play at San Francisco (remember K.C. Jones is an alumnus). Smith averaged 15 points a game as a sophomore and is an outstanding defender.

He'll team in the back court with Mike Quick a 6-3 senior, who only averaged 9.7 points a game but was at his best in the Regional Playoffs, scoring 43 points in the two contests. Quick was plagued during the regular season by poor outside shooting (.380).

The front line figures to be extremely strong with 6-10 Kevin Restani, 6-9 Byron Jones and 6-8 Eric Fernsten.

Restani, the co-sophomore of the year in the WCAC, averaged 14.8 points a game despite a foot injury which hampered his play during the season.

Jones, 6-9, hit for 14 points and 14 rebounds a game and was All Conference first team. He is also an outstanding shot blocker.

Fernsten, was the top player on the frosh and is a talented rebounder who should strengthen the Dons' front line.

Additional help will be provided by John Boro, Ken Harris, Tony Lewis, Randy Little, John Saich, Brad Quanstrom, Phil White, Ed Chow and incoming frosh Rich Johnson and Howard Smith.

Johnson was Los Angeles City Player of the Year. The 6-5 guard's 32.6 average is second best in history, just behind the mark set by Curtis Rowe (now of the Detroit Pistons).

SANTA CLARA

Santa Clara's basketball fortunes were sent skyrocketing over the summer when 6-10 center Mike Stewart announced he would pass up an offer to play pro ball and return for his senior year of college.

Stewart, by himself, makes the Broncos a definite threat for the WCAC title. Last year he averaged 21.2 points and almost 10 rebounds a game in leading Santa Clara to a 17-9 mark and a second place conference finish. His .591 shooting percentage was second best in the country.

Joining Stewart up front will be 6-7 Fred Lavoroni, a returning starter (9.5 & 7.8) and 6-5 Bruce Winkler, who was in and out of the lineup during the campaign, averaging 8.8 points.

Up from the frosh team to lend help are 6-8 Remel Diggs, 6-6 Jerry Bellotti and 6-10 Ed McPheeters, who led the yearlings in scoring and rebounding (18.6 points and 13.5 rebounds).

For the past two seasons Santa Clara has been hampered by spotty guard play. Likely to start are seniors 6-2 Alan Hale and 6-4 Wilbert Miles, who averaged 5.0 and 2.2 points, respectively, Bellotti is another possibility as is 6-0 Jerry Piro, who was injured or ill most of last season.

Rounding out the squad are John Stege, Len Hawkins, Bill Scott, Jay Helman, Doug Coward and Jim Romey.

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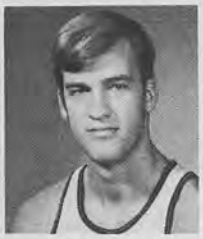
FAR WEST

PACIFIC COAST ATHLETIC ASSOC.



GARY DEAN
U. of Pacific

JIM MCCARGO
U. of Pacific

JOHN ERRECART
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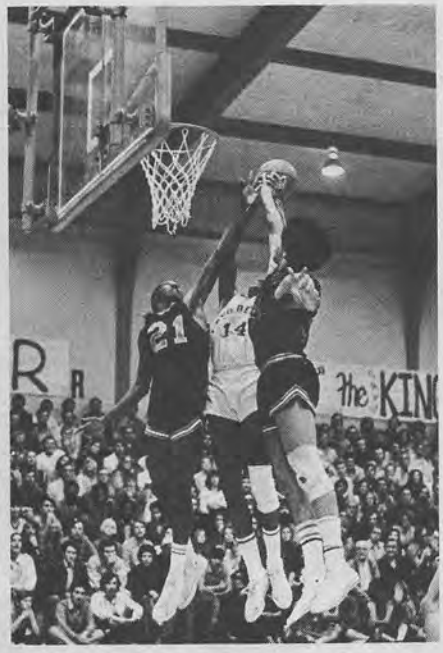
"SNAKE" JONES
San Francisco

Ken Barstow (54) is among the nine lettermen who are returning to San Diego State.



Lee Denmon (21) doubles at guard and forward for California State at Los Angeles.

MIKE QUICK
San Francisco

MIKE WEBB
San Jose St.

JOHNNIE SKINNER
San Jose St.

PACIFIC

Pacific, despite the loss of All-American John Gianelli, boasts more depth than last year, but will rise and fall on the play of a transfer and two sophomores.

The transfer is 6-10 Mike Fink, who must fill the spot vacated by Gianelli. As a senior, Gianelli averaged 21.5 points and 17.9 rebounds.

Sophomores 6-5 Gary Dean (26.4 points and 14.8 rebounds) and 6-8 Chad Meyer (16.8 points and 13.8 rebounds) are being counted on heavily by first year coach Stan Morrison to provide some firepower.

The returning starters are 6-5 Jim McCargo, who averaged 17.2 points and 12.6 rebounds per game, and 6-2 guard John Errecart (12.6).

Providing the depth will be returnees Ossie Noble (7.1), John Joshua, Bucky Snyder, Mike Cloyd, Jay Dahl and Gary Just.

Also up from the freshman team, which posted a 19-5 record, are 6-11 Tim Halemeier, Dave Nunes, Warren LeGarie and Jim Weymouth. The squad will be rounded out by redshirts 6-9 Bert Haverly and JC transfer 6-6 Mike Tarabanovic.

SAN DIEGO STATE

San Diego State coach Dick Davis hopes to make the Aztecs last formal season in the Pacific Coast Athletic Association a successful one and he has the talent to, at least, issue a challenge to expected winner Long Beach State.

The Aztecs will feature nine lettermen, plus four outstanding transfers and a quartet of players up from the freshman team.

Chris McMurray, a 6-7 forward, who was All–PCAA, heads the list of returnees. McMurray averaged 16.1 points and 12.5 rebounds for San Diego State which finished 18-10 overall and 7-5 in the conference.

Other starters back are 6-3 guard Geoff Pete (10.8) and 6-7 forward Larry Jones (9.1 points and 8.7 rebounds).

Jerry Brucks, a transfer from Wyoming is the heir apparent at center while Brad McNamara, who averaged 28.2 points a game at Fullerton Junior College (Calif.) should be the other back court starter.

Chris Marlow, a 6-3 forward, averaged 6.0 a game and should see action as should John Anderson, a transfer from Arizona, and sophomores Mke Honz, John Service, Gary Earle and Allen Bunting, along with JC standout Dan Teague (25.0).

SAN JOSE STATE

The outlook for San Jose State this season is encouraging with four starters back from the Spartans best team (11-15) in several years. Much of the credit for the success has to go to coach Ivan Guevera who turned around a club that was 2-24 the year before.

Forward Dave Dockery (6-7) will be one key to the Spartans' success. He averaged 12.7 per game and led the club in rebounds (8.2). Mike Webb (6-5) has been switched back to guard to utilize his height and quickness. He scored at a 9.7 norm. Webb will join 6-1 Johnnie Skinner, who hit for 11 points a game.

The frontline will also have 6-7 Dave Orndorff (5.5) and sophomore 6-6 Russ Palmer, whose figures were 18.6 points and 15.3 rebounds with the freshmen. Palmer is the real veteran of the team, having played four years of service ball prior to entering San Jose State.

Rounding out the squad are Jan Adamson, Leon Beauchman, Tom Clayton, Dave Gainza, Eric Saulny and Mitch Zeigler.

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FAR WEST

FAR WEST SMALLER SCHOOLS

MIKE BERGER
Pacific Lutheran

DAVE DAYTON
Biola

BOBBY WALTERS
Cal-Riverside

LEE MCDOUGAL
Cal-Riverside

JOHN GRIFFITH
Cal-Riverside

BIOLA

Biola, coming off a sparkling 22-8 season, is likely to make it to the NAIA championships this time around. Coach Howard Lyon has the bulk of his club back, including All-American 6-5 Ron Johnson, who averaged 16.7 points and 13.8 rebounds.

Johnson will be joined in the starting lineup by Bruce Comer (7.2), Dave Dayton (11.5), Dave Holmquist (4.0) and Mark Embrey (4.2).

CAL-RIVERSIDE

Cal-Riverside coach Freddy Goss is faced with the task of rebuilding a team that won the California Collegiate Athletic Association championship last season.

Gone are six lettermen, including standouts Sam Cash and Mike Reid, both taken in the fifth round of the pro draft.

Scoring sensation Bobby Walters, the only sophomore in UCR history to lead the varsity in scoring (17.0), heads the returnees. He'll be in the back court with John Griffith (12.9).

Up front Goss will use Lee McDougal, John Barton and most likely either Ernie Langerberg, a J.C. transfer or Keith Batiste.

PACIFIC LUTHERAN

Rebuilding years are always difficult experiences, especially at Pacific Lutheran where coach Gene Lundgaard has had 25 consecutive winning seasons. The Lutes lost seven players through graduation from a team which was 15-11.

The Lutes returnees include Mike Berger, Dennis Phillips, Roger Wiley, Lyle McIntosh, Neal Andersen and Randy Leeland.

FAR WEST

FAR WEST IND.

RIC PARKS
Portland

JIM BALLARD
Portland

DOUG LOVE
Portland

KEN HETTRUH
Seattle-Pacific

JOHN PENEBACKER
Hawaii

HAWAII

Despite the loss of four starters, Hawaii should be a tournament–contending team next March.

The Rainbows, 47-8 over the past two, have eight lettermen back including three-year starter John Penebacker, three players up from the freshman team and some outstanding junior college talent.

Heading the JC list is 6-2 Tom Henderson, a first team All-American, who played with the U.S. team in the Olympics. He'll start and guard with Artie Wilson, who averaged 2.3 points a game in a sub role.

Penebacker, though only 6-2, will jump center. He averaged 13.9 points and 7.5 rebounds a game last year.

The likely starting forwards 6-8 Juco transfer Rod Aldridge and 6-4 sophomore Bill Austin (16.6 points and 14.6 rebounds).

Reserve help will come from lettermen Tyrone Bradshaw, Artie Wilson, Charlie Williams, Mark Skillcorn, Jim Wienstroer and Bob Titchenal, the latter who missed last season due to injuries.

Skip Williams, a 6-7 forward, is another Juco transfer, while up from the frosh are 6-3 Marty Gonda (22.1), and 6-1 Jon Nikcevich.

Hawaii, which didn't lose at home last season, has 18 games scheduled in the Honolulu International Center, in addition to the Rainbow Classic.

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TOP 100 FRESHMAN

Major Jones	Rohwer, Ark.	Albany State (Ga.)	6-9
Wally Walker	Millersville, Pa.	Virginia	6-6
Bubbles Hawkins	Detroit, Mich.	Illinois State	6-3
Walter Luckett	Bridgeport, Conn.	Ohio U.	6-4
Phil Sellers	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Rutgers	6-5
Bill Cook	Memphis, Tenn.	Memphis State	6-5
Nino Samuel	Salina, Kan.	Kansas	6-5
Robert Parrish	Shreveport, La.	Centenary	7-0
Edmund Lawrence	Lake Charles, La.	McNeese State	6-10
Merlin Wilson	Washington, D.C.	Georgetown	6-9
Chuckie Williams	Columbus, Ohio	Kansas State	6-3
Casey Corliss	Los Angeles, Cal.	UCLA	6-6
Ron Lee	Lexington, Mass.	Oregon	6-5
Larry Fogle	Detroit, Mich.	S.W. Louisiana	6-5
John Drew	Beatrice, Ala.	Gardner-Webb	6-6
Greg Grady	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Florida State	6-8
Jeff Fosnes	Wheat Ridge, Col.	Vanderbilt	6-7
Mickey Heard	New Haven, Conn.	LSU	6-5
Leon Douglas	Leighton, Ala.	Alabama	6-10
Lamont Turner	St. Louis, Mo.	Missouri	6-7
Ira Terrell	Dallas, Tex.	SMU	6-8
Rudy Jackson	Flushing, N.Y.	Wichita State	6-9
John Lucas	Durham, N.C.	Maryland	6-2
Fly Williams	Watkins Glen, N.Y.	Austin-Peay	6-5
Scott May	Sandusky, Ohio	Indiana	6-6
Rich Rennie	St. Cloud, Minn.	Kansas State	6-7
Lynn Royal	Hughes Springs, Tex.	TCU	6-7
Mitch Kupchak	Brentwood, N.Y.	North Carolina	6-9
Phil Cox	Connersville, Ind.	Butler	6-5
Joe Ford	Mayfield, Ky.	Vanderbilt	6-3
Danny Moses	Williamstown, W. Va.	Wake Forest	6-11
Craig Lynch	Toledo, Ohio	Furman	6-7
Jerry Thruston	Owensboro, Ky.	Kansas State	6-7
Jim Crews	Normal, Ill.	Indiana	6-5
Mike Dunleavy	Brooklyn, N.Y.	South Carolina	6-3
Joe Bryant	Philadelphia, Pa.	LaSalle	6-9
Ralph Drollinger	Grossmont, Cal.	UCLA	7-0
Mark Cartwright	Martinsville, Va.	South Carolina	6-3
King Gaskins	W. Roxbury, Mass.	Holy Cross	6-0
Henry Johnson	Tulsa, Okla.	Pennsylvania	6-10
John McKnight	Battle Ground, Wash.	Washington	6-2
Cedric Milton	Denver, Col.	Michigan State	6-10
Warren Baker	Lewisburg, W. Va.	West Virginia	6-7
Dave Marrs	Houston, Tex.	Houston	6-8
Hercle Ivy	St. Louis, Mo.	Iowa State	6-3
Dave O'Connell	Cincinnati, Ohio	Duke	6-3
Armand Hill	Lawrenceville, N.J.	Princeton	6-3
Cliff Sumpter	Clairton, Pa.	Iowa	6-7
Bruce Parkinson	Yorktown, Ind.	Purdue	6-3
Lloyd McMillian	Storm King, N.Y.	Southern California	6-5
Louis Linder	Macon, Ga.	Kentucky State	6-3
John Engles	Staten Island, N.Y.	Pennsylvania	6-8
Ray Feher	Alpena, Mich.	Vanderbilt	6-3
Bob Manker	LaHabra, Cal.	Drake	6-6
Paul Lape	Bloomfield, N.J.	Seton Hall	5-10
Syd Sheppard	Philadelphia, Pa.	Boston College	6-6
Tickey Burden	Albany, N.Y.	Utah	6-3
Randy Gentry	Chickasha, Okla.	Oklahoma	6-9
Dale Carmichael	Clearwater, Fla.	McNeese State	6-7
Alex English	Columbia, S.C.	South Carolina	6-7
Bob Brykalski	Canton, Ohio	Tennessee	6-10
Joe Allen Stepp	Warfield, Ky.	Ohio State	6-3
Bill Moody	Greensboro, Fla.	Florida	6-3
Al Fleming	Michigan City, Ind.	Arizona	6-7
Stan Sligh	Aliquippa, Pa.	McNeese State	6-7
Bradley Robinson	Akron, Ohio	Gardner-Webb	6-7
Ricky Marsh	Jamaica, N.Y.	Nebraska	6-3
Bob Carrington	Braintree, Mass.	Boston College	6-7
Mike Dabney	E. Orange, N.J.	Rutgers	6-3
Mike Heck	Papillion, Neb.	Creighton	7-0
Garry Kamstra	Rosville, Ind.	Cincinnati	6-2
Greg Carrington	Washington, D.C.	Murray State	6-4
Rick Bullock	San Antonio, Tex.	Texas A & M	6-8
Dale Hathorn	Houston, Miss.	Mississippi State	7-1
James Drake	Vicksburg, Miss.	New Mexico State	6-5
Clarence Jones	Seale, Ala.	Memphis State	6-5
Kerry Rupp	Salt Lake City, Utah	Utah State	6-4
Steve Smith	McDowell, Ky.	North Carolina State	6-11
Bruce Watson	Elizabeth, N.J.	Niagara	6-8
Alvan Adams	Putnam City, Okla.	Kansas	6-10
Mike Edgar	Jonesboro, Ark.	Arkansas State	6-4
Maurice Howard	Philadelphia, Pa.	Maryland	6-2
Mike Sojourner	Germantown, Pa.	Iowa	6-7
Frank Alagia	Rockville, N.Y.	St. John's	5-9
Jesse Williams	Chicago, Ill.	Louisville	6-7
Jim Hearnes	Trenton, N.J.	Marymount (Kan.)	6-3
Richard Johnson	Los Angeles, Cal.	San Francisco	6-5
Bob Rozyczko	Syracuse, N.Y.	St. Bonaventure	6-8
Roland Jones	New Haven, Conn.	Duquesne	6-4
Jonathan Smith	Washington, D.C.	Georgetown	6-1
Lafayette Threatt	Columbus, Ga.	Oklahoma State	6-7
Dale Koehler	Kewaunee, Wis.	Wisconsin	6-8
Don Noort	Worth, Ill.	Indiana	6-8
Jesse Campbell	Stockbridge, Mich.	Mercyhurst (Pa.)	6-7
Earl Tatum	Mt. Vernon, N.Y.	Marquette	6-4
Willie Hodge	San Antonio, Tex.	Duke	6-8
Mike Dickerson	Decatur, Ga.	Florida State	6-5
Gregory Brooks	Washington, D.C.	Georgetown	6-5
Luther Philyaw*	Los Angeles, Cal.	Loyola (La.)	6-5
Jim Abrams*	Cleveland, Ohio	Louisville	6-4
Eugene Short	Hattiesburg, Miss.	Long Beach State	6-7
Quinn Buckner	Dolton, Ill.	Indiana	6-3

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is very deep in guards. Charles averaged 21.2 points a game last year as a junior. The 6-3 stickout only needs to improve on his outside shooting (only .439 last year).

Woytowicz, a tough 6-6, 205-pounder, who averaged better than 15 points and eight rebounds a game, will be joined on the front line by 6-7 sophomore center Darryl Brown. Brown hit for 16.2 points and corraled 14.8 rebounds per contest for the yearlings.

Behind this trio will be 6-9 freshman Kevin Collins, 6-8 Paul Griswold, 6-6 Jim Hill, 6-7 Earl Lightbourne and 6-5 John Troha. Another possibility is 6-5 freshman Gary Jackson.

Frank Heyward (7.8) and Tom Pipich (7.8) return to start at guards and will be augmented by sophs Gary Wall and Kevin Moriaryt, while 6-2 sophomore Walt Douglas will serve as a swingman.

The Rams schedule include 10 teams which made post-season tournaments last year including Louisville, North Carolina, Marquette, South Carolina and Maryland.

MANHATTAN

The glory days of New York City college basketball will return this year with the reincarnation of winning teams. In a city where NYU gave up the sport and only Fordham and St. John's are expected to have winners, the presence of a potential power at Manhattan is a most welcome sight.

The Jaspers, who were 11-13 last year after a horrendous start, will be greatly inexperienced in the back court where they lost their two leading scorers. But this should be more than made up for with the arrival of a talented corps of sophomores from the best yearling team in the school's history and the return to school of Henry Seawright.

George Bucci, a 6-2 leaper, who averaged 23.9 points and 11.5 rebounds for the freshman team, which was 18-1, will battle with another sophomore 6-0 Charlie Mahoney (20.5 points and eight assists) and Seawright. The latter was a standout with the Jaspers two seasons ago and passed up a chance to play pro ball to return for his final varsity campaign.

Up front, Bill Campion a 6-10 center, who was Player of the Year in the New York City schools two years ago, will start. The 235-pounder played ball with the New York Athletic Club last season, not suiting up with the Jaspers.

John Connors, another sophomore, who stands 6-7, and is tough around the boards will start at one forward with either veteran Mike Moore, 6-7, or 6-6 Dave Stoebling at the other. Moore, a transfer from NYU after the school threw in the towel, averaged 10.7 points and 8.9 rebounds, while Stoeblin hit for 10.5 points and 7.8 bounds. Ironically, both could be relegated to the bench at midseason when 7-0 Joe Coladarci becomes eligible and Campion makes a move to forward.

Others expected to see action are Gary DeRitter, Gerry Oswald, Frank Meehan, Tom Reilly, Ron Stroman, Jim Heine, Gerry McCall and John Hurley.

ST. BONAVENTURE

Despite the loss of three starters including 6-5 standout Matt Gantt, the season outlook is bright at St. Bonaventure. The Brown Indians should come close to matching the 1971-72 record of 16-8, which included nine wins in the last 12 games.

Leading the way are the top two scorers—6-9 center Glenn Price, and 6-5 forward Carl Jackson.

Price, a slim (195 pounds) post man, led the Bonnies in scoring and rebounding as a sophomore (20.7 points and 10.3 bounds). He has a very soft touch and is deadly from the base line. Price shot .577 from the field to finish 18th nationally in that department.

Jackson, who missed four games due to a knee injury, still finished second in scoring and third in rebounding. He was also second in field goal percentage and hit 81 per cent of his free throws to lead the team. Jackson averaged 17.6 points a game.

Joining the two up front will be either Mike Mayurnik, a 6-8 senior or Bill Moore, a 6-4 sophomore.

Mayurnik averaged 5.4 points per game but is rugged inside and will likely wind up coming off the bench, unless Jackson or Moore go to the back court. Moore scored 25.3 points and averaged 14 bounds a game, but is a good enough outside shooter to start at guard.

Other possibilities to start in the back court are veterans Jim Wallace and Rick Murray or sophomores Steve Hocker or Howie Harrison.

The Bonnies had a sub-par recruiting year and don't figure to get any help from the incoming freshmen.

RUTGERS

When the news came in early July that schoolboy All-American Phil Sellers of New York City had decided to attend Rutgers, the entire Scarlet Knights' season outlook received a huge boost.

Sellers, a 6-4 muscular swingman, was the Most Valuble Player in the Dapper Dan All-American High School game which featured the top prep stars in the country. He is a "mature" frosh who will be an immediate star at Rutgers.

Sellers is likely to start at forward along with 6-5 Vinnie Roundtree, who was so effective the latter part of the season as the Scarlet Knights posted a 14-11 record, which was a disappointment. The team had been figured to be one of the best in the East. Roundtree averaged 11.2 points and seven rebounds a game.

In the middle will be 6-9 Gene Armstead, starting for the third consecutive year. Armstead, who finally learned how to stay out of foul trouble, averaged 13.4 points and 10 rebounds a game for the Knights.

Heading up the back court will be 5-11 senior John Somogyi, who earned All-NY metro honors and was only the second Rutgers player to score more than 500 points in a season. Somogyi averaged 23.5 points per game, shooting .473 from the field. His biggest problem was playing team ball, a factor coach Dick Lloyd hopes to have solved this time around.

Joining Somogyi in the back court will be either veteran Jim Snodgrass (6.9), sophomore Tom DiPaolo (20.0) or freshman Mike Dabney.

Rounding out the squad are Casey Courneen, Steve DiPeri, Steve Duthie, Mike Jones, Mike McDonald and Steve Brackbill.

VILLANOVA

Jack Kraft, who has an amazing 213-82 record at Villanova over 12 seasons, faces one of the toughest coaching assignments of his career this year with an inexperienced team.

The Wildcats are already being tabbed to finish in the cellar of the powerful Big 5, a palce they haven't been in many, many years.

The graduation of Chris Ford and Hank Siemiontkowski left quite a void on the front line. This might force Kraft to move his only real quality player, Tom Ingelsby into offense giving his star control of the club.

Larry Moody will be moved from center to a forward position, making it necessary to find a new center and still another forward.

John Gaspar, Bob Sebastian, Mike Connelly and Jim Berrang would be the most likely candidates at forward.

Jim Boylan, Dimitrus Alston, Gary Jentz and Bob Schwartz are the center candidates.

The back court is really stable with Inglesby, who averaged 18.8 points, six rebounds and three assists per game, while shooting .502 from the field. He'll be joined by Ed Hastings, who performed very well as a starter last season after sitting out most of his sophomore year with injuries. They will be backed up by Bill Harris and Ed Manning from last year's freshman team.

The Wildcats were 20-8 last season, earning a bid to the NCAA tournament. This time around, Kraft will have to battle to keep the club above the .500 mark with a schedule that includes the likes of Penn, Duquesne, South Carolina, Providence, Niagara and participation in the Holiday Festival.

ST. PETER'S

Optimism is the word at St. Peter's as coach Don Kennedy (325-190) enters his 23rd season.

Height, a rarity at St. Peter's, will be in abundance up front with 6-11 sophomore Juan Jimenez and 6-10 junior Tom Abrahamson handling the boards. Jiminez, who sat out last season after undergoing corrective surgery on his right knee and left ankle, averaged 18.3 points and 16.2 rebounds with the Peacock frosh two years ago.

Abrahamson, a transfer from Georgia, averaged 21.3 points and 13.6 rebounds with the Bulldog freshmen in 1969-70 and was a varsity regular as a sophomore until an injury sidelined him.

Harry Anderson, a 6-4 senior, who was selected in the American Basketball Association draft, figures to hold down a forward spot while 6-6 senior Richie Fuller (8.1), 6-7 Richie McPherson (5.9), 6-4 sophomore Cornelius Barker (23.1), and 6-8 freshman Stan Klos serve as reserve help. Anderson averaged 16 points a game.

With Ted Martiniuk (25.4) and Tony Holm (11.6) gone, sophomore Ken Mark-

owski (24.4), Ed Cierski (5.3), newcomers Brian Cocoran, a transfer from Navy, John Sarto, a transfer from Florida and freshmen Tom Wise and Walt Burch are the leading candidates for back court berths.

Others back are 6-5 swingman Bob O'Reilly, Pat Bradley, Albio Sires, Frank Colford and sophomore Rick Baker.

The Peacocks have always been a run and gun team but, for the past several seasons, have been allowing points at astronomical rates. The defense will have to tighten up for the club to be a winner.

SETON HALL

Seton Hall, which has not had a winning season since 1964, is headed in the right direction in 1972-73 led by a group of sophomores and incoming freshmen.

Coach Bill Raftery has done a remarkable job of rebuilding the program in two years. The Pirates were 10-16 last season but eight of the losses came in the last two minutes.

Despite the loss of Ken House, who averaged 25 points a game, the Pirates figure to be stronger up front with the addition of the outstanding sophomores.

Four of them—John Ramsay, Ray Clark, Pete LaCorte and Chris Rzoncza—will battle returnee Jim LaCorte for the front court spots. The older LaCorte was a starter all of last season, averaging 12 points and a little better than five rebounds a game.

Ramsay, who is 6-6, is considered the best of the bunch. He averaged 22 points and 10 rebounds per contest and has great shooting range. Princeton coach, Pete Carril called him the "best prospect I saw all last year."

Clark, who is 6-7 and averaged 16.8 points and 10 rebounds per contest, will likely start at the other forward.

The center spot will most likely be shared by sophomores 6-10 Rzoncza and 6-6 Pete LaCorte, with brother Jim filling in anywhere up front.

Rzoncza hit for 15.8 points and grabbed 12 rebounds a game while LaCorte's stats were 13.7 points and seven rebounds. The frosh averaged over 100 points a game.

Frank Zelesnik, a 6-2 junior, who scored at a 14.7 pace, will be back at one guard and most likely be joined by freshman Paul Lape, a 5-10 New Jersey All-Stater. Senior Pete Lavino is another possibility.

Raftery's other outstanding income frosh are 6-2 Tom Flaherty, 6-9 Mike Buescher, 6-5 Willie McFarland, and 6-9 Bruce Gardner.

WEST VIRGINIA

Graduation, transfers and a tragic auto accident virtually wiped out West Virginia's squad of last season and doesn't augure well for the 1972-73 campaign.

Most sorely missed of all will be 6-2 All-American guard, Wil Robinson, who averaged 29.4 points per game, fourth best among all the major college scorers. Also gone are Mike Heitz and Dave Werthman, both of whom scored in double figures (along with Sam Oglesby) and were one-two in rebounding.

Coach Sonny Moran will build his squad around the few returning lettermen he has plus some topflight sophomores and a super freshman.

That freshman, 6-7 Warren Baker, the top prep player in the basketball conscious state of West Virginia, could attain stardom his first year of varsity play. A great leaper, Baker will be sorely needed under the boards.

Bob Hornstein, who is 6-9, will battle sophomore Larry Carr, 6-8, for the starting center spot. Hornstein was injured most of last season, averaging 6.1 points per contest. Carr hit at a 14 point rate for the frosh and was the leading rebounder with more than 12 a game.

The other forward spot should be a tossup among 6-4 Mark Catlett, who averaged 5.4 points a game while starting the last 16 contests, 6-8, 220-pound Gary Reichenbecher, who averaged 2.3 points before being shelved by an injury or 6-6 sophomore Scott MacDonald, the leading scorer on the freshman team (17.1).

At the guards it will be a tossup among junior college transfer, Harold Black, returning letterman Chris Sprenger, sophomores Jerome Anderson and Rich Coles and incoming freshman Dave McCardle.

It looks like a tough season for the Mountaineers.

GEORGETOWN

Rookie coach John Thompson has recruited the material which might make Georgetown a "surprise" during the upcoming campaign. Of course, just about anything will be an improvement on last year's 3-23 record, one of the worst in the nation by any major school.

Only two of the ten returning lettermen produced double figures scoring averages last season—junior guard Vince Fletcher (11.9) and senior forward Mark Edwards (10.8).

Thompson's new recruits are likely to see immediate action. Merlin Wilson, a 6-9 high school All-American, who is a great defensive intimidator and rebounder, will probably start at center. Wilson played for Thompson at St. Anthony's H.S., Washington, D.C., as did 6-5 Gregory Brooks and 6-1 Jonathan Smith. Smith is another good bet to start, or at least see lots of playing time. Brooks is a rough, tough rebounder who fits the Thompson mold of athlete.

Two other recruits also likely to play are 6-1 Michael Stokes and 6-9 Bill Lynn. All five frosh are from the D.C. area which has produced such great standouts as Elgin Baylor, Austin Carr and Dave Bing.

Another player the Hoyas are counting on is 6-5 sophomore Mark Gallagher who averaged 28 points a game before breaking his hand in the third game of the season.

In the back court, Thompson also will have point guards Tom McBride and Tim Lambour. Lettermen Don Willis, and Rick Kentz will also be joined by sophomores Ed Fitzgerald and Kip Crennan.

At forwards, Edwards and Gallagher will be joined by veterans Tom Dooly, Paul Robinson and Mike Geoghegan. Ron Lyons, a 6-9 junior is the returning center.

ARMY

Army basketball coach Dan Dougherty had a lot of sleepless nights during the final weeks of the 1971-72 season when the Cadets lost three games by a point, another by two and one by four. The losses were instrumental in a disappointing mark of 11-13.

Three lettermen, two of them starters, have graduated, but four other lettermen return. These include guards Bob Sherwin and John O'Maley, swingman Doug Crewse and forward Chris Petersen. There are also five promising newcomers up from the Plebe team.

The back court should be the strength of the Cadets. In Sherwin, Army has a shooter of extraordinary ability. Last year he finished fifth nationally in free throw percentage (88) and 40th in scoring (22.6). While O'Maley, considered one of the quickest guards to ever play at the Point, showed periods of inconsistency, he nonetheless displayed lots of talent.

Petersen likewise should be a plus. He was second in rebounding and third in scoring with a 10.8 average. With Ed Mueller and Wally Wojdakowski, both gone, much of the rebounding chores will have to be assumed by Petersen. Crews figures to be a swingman again.

Reserve help figures to come most directly from guard Pete Jackson, forwards Dave Dlugolenski and Frank Weiss; and pivotman Ned Bumgarner, who, at 6-7, 230-pounds, is the biggest man on the roster.

Up from the Plebes are forward Bob Creedan, the top scorer and rebounder, guards Dave White and Bill Koch and center Steve Seminoff. The other prospect is forward Dave Thomas.

Most likely to start for the Cadets are Bumgarner at center, Dlugolenski and Petersen at forwards and O'Maley and Sherwin at guards.

LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY

With only two starters back, a short front court averaging between 6-5 and 6-6, a very difficult schedule, and the loss of last year's two leading rebounders and double figure scorers—center Harvey Smith and forward Walter Jones—the outlook for Long Island appears dark.

However, there are some bright spots, including last year's sophomore forward sensation, 6-5 Fred Gibson, who set an LIU soph scoring record with 495 points to pace his teammates with a 19.8 average.

Then too, there are two promising players coming up from last season's 18-2 freshman squad—6-6 center Ruben Rodriquez and 5-11 guard Louis Brignone. Both figure to be starters.

Also returning are last year's 6-6 starting forward Ron Williams, third highest scorer with 11.6 points per game and the ability to be an outstanding college player, 6-0 guard Richie Salit, who averaged 5.1 points per game, 6-2 guard Jerry Hartz, who scored at a 5.1 clip and team co-captains, Curtis Smith, a 6-4 forward and Tim Solomon, a 6-9 center, both seniors.

Likely to get the starting jobs are Gibson, Rodriguez, Brignone, Williams and Hartz.

The Blackbirds also lost their veteran coach Roy Rubin, who left to accept a similar post with the Philadelphia 76ers of the National Basketball Association.

CANISIUS

With four of the five top scorers back from last year, plus the addition of an outstanding sophomore, Canisius' new coach John Morrison figures to improve on the 15-11 mark.

Morrison, who played for Canisius during the mid-60s and was the third highest scorer in the school's history, is confident about his squad's chances saying "we have the material to be a tournament team."

Only Gary Stewart is gone from among the top five and his spot will be taken over by 6-5 Mel Montgomery, the leading scorer on the freshman team that was 20-1. Montgomery, a high school All-American, averaged 23.5 points and is a bull around the boards.

Joining him at the other forward will be Mike Macaluso, last season's leading scorer with a 16.9 average. Macaluso, who was consistent throughout, hit .506 of his field goal attempts, but did foul out of nine game. He was also the third leading rebounder.

At center it will be Gary Lawrence, the leading rebounder with over 10 a game, and a scoring average of 13.4. Lawrence had a high of 20 rebounds against Wayne State.

The guards are slated to be Aaron Covington (15.3) and Mike Norwood (9.9). Covington, while scoring well, was not too effective in his outside shooting and wound up the season with a .418 percentage. Norwood was even less effective at .390. Canisius will have to improve on this faze of the game.

NAVY

Navy basketball coach Dave Smalley expects a better all-around team in 1972-73 but thinks the Midshipmen may still be a year away. Smalley has five lettermen returning from the squad which was 10-13. The 1971-72 Middies went sour after the mid-season win streak of four straight and dropped six in a row, before recovering to win three of their final five.

Lost through graduation were Hal Conauer, a guard who finished second in scoring; leading rebounder Bob Perry; pivotman Bob Kenney and guard John Caldwell.

Topping the list of returnees is junior Gary Carter, a 6-4 forward, who paced the Midshipmen in scoring with a 13.4 average and ranked second in rebounding.

The other starter back is guard Dave Stone, Cronauer's teammate in the Navy back court a year ago. At 6-3, Stone has excellent size and there is every reason to believe he can improve upon last year's 9.9 average.

Rugged forward Skip Wiegan, guard Charlie Robinson, and swingman Bob Marshburn round out the veteran cast available to Smalley. Wiegand averaged six points and 3.6 rebounds in principally reserve roles. Marshburn's shooting, an excellent .492 from the field, earned him starts in the final two games. Robinson, a member of the football team always gets a late start on the season.

Best of the newcomers appear to be guards Mickey Hampton, Bill Montgomery and forward Bob Burns. Steve Newberry is another sophomore with possibilities. The Plebes were 15-2, losing only to the highly touted Penn and George Washington Frosh. Burns and Hampton led the squad with 21 and 19.1 averages, respectively.

FARLEIGH-DICKINSON

Fairleigh-Dickinson, which has always been among the defensive leaders in the country, made its biggest move toward national prominence when, of all things, it hired a full-time sports information director.

Until this year, no such thing as a picture file existed, so it isn't any wonder that publicizing the club was hard to do.

The head coach, Al LaBalbo, is one of the finest defensive minds in college basketball. His teams are also well schooled offensively and seldom make crucial turnovers.

The club lost its all-time top scorer, Lee Shulman, who scored 1,156 career points, Ollie Smith (8.5 rebounds) along with Ken Maxwell and Jack Dean.

Among the returning lettermen are 6-5 Glen Bolduc (14.3) and 6-3 Rich Scialabba (10.0), the certain starters. Others back are 6-5 Guy Budinscak, 6-5 Rich Poveromo, 5-10 Mike Dyrek, 6-5 Bruce Hood and 6-5 Paul Kanitra.

At least two of the starters will come from the freshman team which was 19-2 last season. They were led by the one-two punch of 6-8 Howard Alexander (22.0) and 6-2 Rich Conrad (19.9). Others expected to help from that unit are 6-1 Ed Graessle (11.2) and 6-4 Guy Oakes (12.9).

LaBalbo had a good recruiting year and may find his fifth starter from among 6-1 Dave Pleskow, 6-8 Mark Einhorn, 6-4 John Bogdanich, 6-7 Gary Wells and 6-7 Paul Bechtelheimer.

The club will play two games at New York's Madison Square Garden, generally acknowledged as the basketball capital of the world. That's another step in the right direction.

COLGATE

Colgate has itself a new coach, Bill Vesp, and three starters returning from a club which was 16-8 last season.

While the club clamored for possible consideration to a post season berth, a close look at the record shows all the wins were over schools where basketball is hardly a household name. Still the Red Raiders have been upgrading the cage program and have had winning seasons the last three go arounds.

Vesp is another positive step towards enhancing the program. As Syracuse's chief recruiter, he made the Orange into one of the better teams in the East.

Gone for the '72 team are 6-8 center Rich Lebel, who topped the 1,000 point mark and averaged 21.3 points, and forward Tom Cronin, 14.2 points and 11.6 rebounds.

On the bright side, three starters return including the back court duo of junior Larry Harris and senior Jack Mackay, who combined to average 25 points per game. Also back is senior Ken Carlson, who averaged over 10 points per game after winning a starting role early in the season.

Holdovers Bob Tyburski and Dave Goens should aid the forward spots while 6-7 junior Dennis Prior will battle for the starting center role.

The key to the Raider fortunes apparently rests on the shoulders of 6-7 sophomore pivot man Jamie Russell, who came to Colgate labeled as one of the top schoolboy players in Canadian history. As a freshman, he averaged 22 points and 14 rebounds per game. Other sophs expected to help are guards Roger Banks and Ron Williams. Jim Piebes, a transfer, will help in the front court when he becomes eligible in January.

PITT

Led by possibly the best player in the school's history, Pitt's upcoming season should, at least, be exciting.

The outstanding player is 6-6½ Billy Knight, a junior, who led the Panthers in scoring (21.0), rebounding (11.5), field goal shooting (.538) and in steals (91).

Along with Knight, the only other starter returning for coach Buzz Ridl's Panthers is 6-5 Mickey Martin, hampered most of last season by injuries.

Other returning lettermen are Carl Morris, Bill Sulkowski, Marv Abrams and Ken Wagoner.

Two newcomers plus an injured player who sat out most of last year, will also contest for starting jobs. The tallest player in Pitt history, 6-10, 230-pound Lucius Keese of St. Petersburg (Fla.) Junior College, should give the Panthers immediate help at center. Sophomore guard, 6-4 Kirk Bruce, who averaged 17.0 a game is another possibility along with 6-8 Jim Bolla, lost after the fifth game of the 1971-72 season.

Ridl is likely to settle on a lineup which will have Knight and Martin at the forwards, Keese at center and Wagoner (1.0) and Bruce at the guards.

The Panthers face a rugged schedule which includes national powers UCLA, North Carolina, Jacksonville, Davidson, Syracuse, North Carolina State and Virginia in addition to a first-ever meeting with North Carolina A&T.

BUFFALO

Armed with four players who averaged in double figures last season, Buffalo hopes to improve on its 12-12 record, compiled against the major teams in the East.

Coach Ed Muto has seven lettermen back and has acquired a junior college player to help solve some back court problems.

The Bulls will, once again, revolve around 6-6, 250-pound center Curt Blackmore. The husky post man scored 18.7 points and grabbed 16.8 rebounds a game last year.

Forwards Jim Tribble and Greg Laker, both 6-6, are back with their scoring averages of 11.4 and 7.5, respectively.

The real spice to last year's attack was provided by Bob Vartanian who set an assist record in addition to averaging 15.3 points a game. Vartanian, Tribble and Laker were JC transfers a year ago and fitted right in.

Hopeful that the same will happen again, Muto went out and signed 5-10 guard Rayfield Goss, who averaged 21.0 points a game for Oakland (Mich.) Community College.

Providing help in the back court will be Greg Bruce (10.2), John Forys, Joe Evans and Bob Dickinson, who averaged 19.4 points with the Baby Bulls.

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17.5 point per game scorer. Henderson returns senior 6-3 Larry Bray (22.9) and 6-6 Sam Witherspoon (19.6) to lead the Reddie challenge.

Lining up somewhere behind the top three will be Hendrix, Arkansas Tech, Harding, State College of Arkansas, University of Ark-

ansas at Little Rock, College of the Ozarks, Arkansas College, and University of Arkansas at Monticello.

Top performers in district 17 will be Hendrix's Danny Thomas (24.2), Henderson's Bray (22.9) and Witherspoon (19.8), Ozark's John Reed (19.8), Arkansas College's Elliott Jackson (20.2), State College of Arkansas' 6-6 John Hutchcraft (18.8), Ouachita's Hamilton (20.2), Southern State's Johnny White (15.2) and 6-6 James Armstrong, and Harding's Tim Vick (13.4) and Freddie Dixon (14.6).

Ivy League

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second semester of next year left for eligibility. Wolfe, a 6-2 junior, quarterbacked the Crimson during the last half of the 1971-72 season when they won eight of nine games. Jean Wilkinson, Kerry Scanlon, and Hal Smith are the backups.

PRINCETON

Key personnel losses, combined with a low yield from the freshman team, will serve to make the upcoming season a rough one for Princeton, which was 20-7 last year, earning a bid to the National Invitation Basketball Tournament in the process.

Gone are Brian Taylor, who passed up his last season of eligibility to play pro ball, Reg Bird, also a pro pick, Al Dufty and reserve center Gerry Couzens.

Coach Pete Carril realizes that his team lost a lot of speed with the departure of Taylor and Bird, with the former scoring 1,239 points in two seasons.

Returning will be Ted Manakas, the team's quarterback the past two seasons. Manakas, a 14-point average scorer, runs the Tiger attack and is a sharp outside shooter. Senior Jim Sullivan, a two-year reserve, will get the other starting job with Al Burton, Dave Chollet, Brien O'Neill and Tim van Bloomesteyn in reserve. The latter led the frosh in scoring with a 16.1 average.

Up front, the Tigers have junior center Andy Rimol, who had an impressive sophomore campaign. The 6-9 Rimol averaged 13 points per game along with 7.6 rebounds.

Back after an injury-enforced absence is 6-8 Bill Kapler, who was a strong rebounder and defender as a sophomore.

In the corners, Carril can call on 6-5 John Berger (4.6), 6-5 John Sadlosca and 6-5 Joe Vavricka as well as sophomore Jim Flores, who is 6-8.

Carril is one who would like to have a frosh player in the lineup. That super prospect is Armand Hill, who is ineligible under Ivy rules.

BROWN

A new era has dawned for Brown basketball. Long a doormat of the Ivy League, the Bruins, led by four outstanding sophomore starters, rate as darkhorse contenders.

The frosh were 18-2, best in the school's history and had a trademark of speed. This is a drastic departure from recent Brown teams which were deliberate and defensive minded.

Little Jim Burke (5-8), who averaged 12.3 points a game and set single game and season assist records, will have to make way for two outstanding soph guard prospects, Eddie Morris and Lloyd Desvigne.

Morris (5-10) averaged 16.1 points while Desvigne, (6-2) hit at a 12.8 norm.

Sophs Jay Regan and Bill Almon, plus junior Paul Connors, who missed the entire season with a broken foot, provide great depth in the backcourt.

The forward positions appear to be adequately manned but the Bruins lack a true center and this could create rebounding problems.

Phil Brown, a 6-5 sophomore, who can leap out of sight and appears destined for stardom, played in the middle for the frosh, averaging 16 points a game. Jim Busam (6-6), another sophomore, will start at one forward with senior Rich Cureton, a rugged 6-5, 190-pounder. He scored at a 10.3 pace last year.

Junior Mark Flynn and soph Vaughn Clarke will probably swing between guard and forward, depending on where they're needed.

Brown will utilize a man-to-man full court press and will be an exciting team to watch. They still may be a year away from greatness.

DARTMOUTH

Dartmouth's basketball team heads into the 1972-73 season with a new coach (Tom O'Connor), a nucleus of lettermen, including the two top scorers, plus a contingent of sophomores who lack size but should provide good spot help.

Gone from the team which produced a 14-12 record, best since 1960, are Paul Erland, the all-time scoring leader and Jim Masker, the leading rebounder.

O'Conner has back 6-1 James Brown, the captain and high scoring guard, who averaged 18 points a game and 5-11 Bill Raynor, the exciting backcourt standout who was voted the Ivy League's top sophomore. Raynor averaged 18.8 points a game.

Three other seniors return with starting experience—6-5 Robin Derry, 6-3 George Riley and 6-5 Bud Martin. Derry was a strong performer through the second half of the season while Riley is one of the keys to Dartmouth's pressing defense.

With Masker gone, O'Connor must find some rebounding ability. His big men will be 6-7 Jim Fleischer, 6-8 Tom Eggleston and 6-8 Steve Furber. Fleischer is the most experienced but Eggleston is a better shooter.

The other returnees are guard Doug Bate and forward Ray Sansouci, both seniors.

Among the sophomores, the most rapid help may come from 6-4 Gene Matthews, who set a freshman rebounding record last winter. O'Connor also has a couple of good sophomore scorers in 6-2 Rick Jones and 6-2 Bob Calcaterr and a strong defensive performer in Dan McKay.

COLUMBIA

Following last year's disastrous 4-20 record, there's only one way Columbia's basketball fortunes can go—upward.

There is mere hope in the fact that all five starters are back along with two other lettermen. Little or no help will arrive from the freshman team.

Coach Jack Rohan begins his 12th season as the winningest coach in Columbia history, a record which was aided considerably by the 78-23 mark compiled by his 1967-71 teams.

The forwards, Ron Boyd and Bob Evans are both only 6-3 and will face some long nights battling the league's giants off the boards.

Boyd, who became eligible in mid-season, averaged 18.9 points and 6.9 rebounds a game, including a single game high of 31 against Harvard. Evans was another player who gained eligibility as mid term. He hit at a 15.3 norm and collected 8.2 rebounds per contest.

Foley Jones, the 6-6 center, is the first player in 30 years to captain the varsity two years in a row. An excellent defensive player, Jones averaged 10.9 points and 10.2 rebounds a game.

Back at the guards are juniors 5-9 John Byrnes and 6-2 Darryl Downing. Byrnes averaged 7.3 points a game and was the Lions assist leader. Downing, flashy but erratic, was a regular all season after being sixth man as a freshman. He averaged 12.6 points a game.

Reserve help will come from letter winners Steve Pellino and Tim Murray and sophomore Bill Casey, Larry DiGiacomo, Bob Foschi, Mark Hardaway, Jeff Mixon and Bill Neumann, the latter a brother of high scoring John Neumann of the Memphis Pros.

YALE

Yale's young basketball team gained some self-respect last season as it finished with a 7-17 mark, a modest improvement over 4-20 mark during 1970-71.

Veteran coach Joe Vancisin, dean of Ivy League coaches, played as many as three sophomores regularly and a number of others picked up valuable experience. Yale received a blow when 6-9 center Scott Ferguson missed more than half the season with a broken ankle after showing well early. However, 6-7 Gary Rinck filled in ably, averaging 6.8 points a game.

Ferguson will be back as the starter with Rinck in reserve. Captain Mike Baskauskas, although only 6-3, is solid in one corner. Last year, as a soph, he led the team in scoring (17.0), field goal percentage (.5-9) and free throw accuracy (.770). Tim Kearns, a 6-4 junior, who played the backcourt, has moved up front. He scored at a 12.4 per game clip.

Ned Jaroszewski, a reserve last season, moves into a starting role and will be joined by Gary Franks, the top freshman scorer with a 25 point per game average.

Yale will be a young team once again this year, with no seniors on the squad.

Ballhandling may be a problem; although Franks has the basic skills but he lacks experience. With Baskauskas and Kearns showing the way, and better overall squad balance, The Elis should show some improvement—but not much.

CORNELL

Sit-ins, sit-outs, general unhappiness and lots of losses characterized Cornell's basketball season in 1971-72.

The Big Red attracted nationwide attention, but not for their play which saw them finish 5-19 for the season and 1-13 in the Ivy League.

Coach Jerry Lace resigned under some-

what stormy conditions and standout player Rick Amato went the way of graduation. Amato, a three-year starter, averaged 14.2 points a game.

Cornell still has a veteran club, one which might win as many as three or four Ivy games.

Starting for the Big Red will be 6-4½ John Coles and 6-4 Gerry Newby, the seniors; 6-4 Brian Wright and 6-7 Lynn Loncki, the juniors and 6-4 sophomore Maxwell Jones.

Coles averaged 10.9 points a game in 10 games; Newby 16.1, Wright 17.6 points and 10.2 rebounds and Loncki 9.1. Jones hit at a 14.2 norm for the frosh.

John O'Neill and Jim Willmot are other returning lettermen along with junior guard Otis Story. Rounding out the squad are sophomore Randy Evans, Marvin Jackson and Stan Mason.

The Big Red should have more speed and a much stronger bench than last year. Seventh place looks like a lofty goal to achieve.

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termen, including three starters and four promising sophomores.

Starters back are 6-4 center Bill Speier (12.7 points and 10.0 rebounds), and guards 6-3 Perry Clark (8.5 and John Gyulai (9.0).

Jeff Clark, a 6-6 sophomore (18.0) and either Bob Matthews 6-4, the seventh man last year (5.9), or 6-8 sophomore, Dan Thompson (16.7) will be the forwards.

Other lettermen back are Jay Friedlander, Eric Morgan, Bill Rafferty and Mike Wicks.

BUCKNELL

Bucknell's new coach, Jim Valvano, will have nary a player missing from last year's squad which posted a 5-18 mark.

Leading the returnees is 6-6 center Harvey Carter, the leading Bisons' rebounder and scorer the past two seasons. Last year, Carter averaged 14.8 points and 12.4 rebounds.

At forwards it will be 6-5 Paul Kerr (13.4) and either 6-4 Dave Greenwood (9.5) or 6-4 Jim Donovan (7.7). Reserve help will come from Algin Garrett, Ken Heron and sophomores Dennis Deihm, Fred Burke and Bill Hall.

Regular 6-1 senior Jack Darnall (11.1) is back at guard and will be joined by either 6-2 Dan Correnti (5.7) or Paul Biko (7.9). Another possibility is 6-1 sophomore Doug Bracho.

RIDER

Rider, the defending Western Division champion of the Middle Atlantic Conference, suffered heavy graduation losses and could fall to last place.

Three players, who accounted for more than 50 points among them, have graduated.

Seven lettermen are back paced by 5-10 guard Bruce Rembert (10.5) and 6-3 Bill Clark (9.3). Others are Rick Caputo (1.1), Jon Kowal (2.8), Jim Rouse (3.2), Dave Schaub (2.5) and George Shouey (2.4).

Coach John Carpenter will have to rely on sophomores like Mike Baggett, Charles Bell, Harry Edwards and John McCloy to plug the big gaps left by graduation.

TEMPLE

Barring a collapse, Temple should win the Middle Atlantic Conference championshp and another bid to the NCAA tournament.

Coach Harry Litwack has four players back who started down the stretch last year when the Owls were 23-8. In addition, up from the frosh are two players who figure to play.

The top returnees include 6-4 Mike Jones (13 points and 7.6 rebounds), and 6-1 John Kneib (10.8) who were season-long starters.

Center Joe Newman, who at 6-9, is the tallest Owl, and guard 5-11 Rick Trudeau were regulars at the close of the season, averaging 8.0 and 4.3 points, respectively.

The top sophomore prospects are 6-1 Kevin Washington and 6-4 Joe Anderson. Washington topped Temple's freshman scorers with a 21.1 average while Anderson hit for 19.8 points and grabbed 18.5 rebounds a game.

Baccking up the first six are George Bower, Tim Fehrle, Charlie Gaines, Dan Kashmer, Joe Rymal and Ray Tharan.

Litwack enters his 21st season with 356 career wins. This club will push him on the way toward 400.

ST. JOSEPH'S

St. Joseph's coach Jack McKinney is looking forward to the possibilities of an outstanding season. His optimism is based on the fact that only one player will be missing from the NIT team which posted a 19-9 record.

The Hawks will be led by 6-9 senior center Mike Bantom, a member of the U.S. Olympic team where he says he is "playing for myself and not for the U.S." Bantom averaged 21.8 points and 14.8 rebounds as a junior.

Pat McFarland, a 6-5 senior (17.8 and 6.8 rebounds) and 6-4 Bob Sabol (8.7 & 5.7) are back at forwards while 6-0 guard Jim O'Brien (7.4) returns in the back court.

In addition, 6-2 guard Mike Moody (6.7 points as a soph starter two years ago) returns after sitting out last season.

Reserves along the frontline include 6-7 forward-center Kevin Furey, 6-5 Gene Prybella, 6-6 John Zipp and 6-7 soph Steve MacZinko.

Back court help will come from Lou Peltzer, Craig Kelly, Fran Rafferty and Joe Neal.

The Hawks (without Bantom) travelled to Italy and Roumania over the summer, participating in tournaments and it helped McKinney get an early start on the season.

AMERICAN

American, which finished 16-8 last season, is ready to make a challenge for the Middle Atlantic Conference championship.

The Eagles will be armed with plenty of manpower, including 6-8 Kermit Washington, the nation's No. 1 rebounder in 1971-72, and 6-6 sophomore Wilbur Thomas, the most prolific scorer in American freshman history.

Washington averaged 21 points, 19.8 rebounds and blocked 129 shots as a junior. He went to the Olympic trials where he was far from impressive. Thomas averaged 28.6 points and 12.8 rebounds for the frosh.

Pete DeHaven, second-high scorer and rebounder last year, will be at the other forward. He averaged 12.2 points per game.

Steve Garrett (10.2) will be one of the starting guards with the other guard spot up for grabs among Bill Ulbin, Art Perry, who sat out last year with a knee injury and sophomores Jim Neurohr and Paul Wholey.

Depth will be provided by Bob Rosenfield, Tom Rowe, Bill Demharter, Bill Mann, Frank Witucki, Steve Ruest, Lenny Lockhart and Bob Bush.

LA SALLE

After a disappointing 6-19 season, LaSalle coach Paul Westhead will be faced with the bright prospect of 12 experienced regulars and six promising newcomers from the best freshman team (20-3) in Explorer history.

The top returning lettermen will be 6-4 senior MAC All-Star forward Jim Crawford (15.7 points, 10.9 rebounds and 68 assists), 6-3 guard Jim Haggarty (13.2), 6-5 Joe DiCocco (13.1 points and 9.6 rebounds) and 6-4 Frank Doyle (13.1).

Among the sophomores almost certain to get a starting job is 6-8 center Kevin McBain (16.2 points and 12.5 rebounds).

Others who figure to battle it out for spots are 6-5 forward Bill Taylor (16.2), 6-1 guard Bob Jones (13.9), 6-7 forward Chuck Seltzer (12.6), 5-11 guard Steve Wiley (9.9) and 6-5 forward Bill Truskey (8.6).

The Explorers also picked up three outstanding prep stars—6-5 guard Kevin King, 6-2 Glen Collier and 6-9 Joe Bryant.

DREXEL

Second year coach Ray Haesler is eagerly looking forward to the 1972-73 season with what could prove to be Drexel's best outlook since moving to the University Division three seasons ago.

Last year's 11-14 Dragon team showed signs of improvement, but lacked the depth necessary for a consistent winner. With five key lettermen and eight talented sophomores competing for varsity spots, Drexel basketball prospects are good. The club still will probably wind up fifth in the conference, but won't be a pushover.

The top returning lettermen will be 6-3 Greg Newman (13.9), 5-10 Mike Fee (10.7), the back court, along with 6-6 Fran Korwek (7.8), 6-4 Vince Morrison (5.2), forwards, and 6-2 Dave Williams and 6-2 Jamie Hart.

Four sophomores—6-7 center Doug White (10.7 points and 9.5 rebounds) and 6-2 guard Tom Brophy (16.8) are given good shots at playing a lot. Backing them up are sophs Bob Ambler, John Bonk, Jeff Howland, and Charlie O'Donnel.

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PROVIDENCE

Providence returns six of its top players from last season's 21-6 NCAA tournament club, including All-American candidates 6-8 Marvin Barnes and 6-0 Ernie DiGregorio.

The Friars, coached by Dave Gavitt, have two other starters returning—6-7 Fran Cos-

tello (9.8) and 6-5 Charlie Crawford (5.8). Also back are top reserves 6-5 Nehru King (5.7) and 6-10 Larry Ketvirtis (5.8).

The attack will still center around Barnes and DiGregorio. Barnes, who was a participant in the Olympic trials where he was the leading re-bounder, averaged 21.4 points and 14.4 rebounds a game last year. He is destined for greatness.

DiGregorio, the latest in a long line of great, ball-handling guards at Providence, hit at a 17.7 norm while handing out 8.1 assists a game.

Considerable help is expected from 6-4 transfer Kevin Stacom who sat out last year after having averaged 9.2 at Holy Cross. Two sophs who also figure to see action are 6-5 John Jackson (14.4) and Garry Bello (18.0).

The Friars move into their new 11,215 seat Civic Center and the schedule will include the likes of UCLA, Jacksonville, South Carolina, Oregon, Western Kentucky, Villanova, St. John's and Duquesne.

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INDIANA (PA.)

The 1972-73 season should be a comeback one for coach Carl Davis and his Indiana U. of Pennsylvania team, which finished 15-9 last year.

There are four returning regulars, led by 6-5 John Carom, who averaged 18.9 points a game. He'll be complemented by 6-1 guard Randy Allen (13.8), 6-2 forward Mark Bianchi (6.4) and 5-10 guard Bob Isenberg (8.3). Also on hand are Sherm Brizzi, Gene Gaige and Jeff Lawrence. Up from the frosh are Marty Mattocks, Dick Mogle, Joe Novak, Lance Stephens and Ed Kowalski, whose 20.1 average paced the freshmen.

POINT PARK

Since Point Park lost only one varsity player to graduation, the outlook for Jerry Conboy's team is extremely bright. And it comes off the first winning season in the school's history.

Of the vets, starters last year who are back are guards Bob Rager (10.6) and Larry Anderson (8.6) and forwards Don Jones (14.0) and Al Harris (10.4).

Joe Spellman (8.2) and Jim Ney (3.6) are possibilities as are frosh recruits 6-8 Tim Rybczynski, 6-8 Ron Screbinski and 6-8 Joe Schipani.

LOCK HAVEN

Basketball at Lock Haven will be a question mark with a new coach—Rich Taylor—and the loss of two three-year regulars through graduation and the starting center, who transfered.

Back are John Marzlak, Russ Palin, John Miller, Harold McKenzie and Ziggy Tauginas.

GANNON

Gannon lost its All-American Glen Summors and coach Dave Markey is hopeful that 6-8, 230-pound service veteran Bob Byrd can be an adequate replacement. If so, the Knights are headed for another post-season tournament berth.

Markey will have three starters returning and six lettermen, led by 6-5 Dave Stoczynski (14.9) and 5-11 playmaker Billy Callahan (9.0). Gerald Walker, a 6-6 cornerman, who averaged 12.7 as a freshman, is the other returning starter.

Moving up from the frosh are 6-5 Mark Murray, who set a scoring mark of 30.2, 6-5 Bob Hvezde and 6-0 guard Bob Martinko.

And since 17 games are at home, reserve a spot for Gannon.

U.S. MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY

The U.S. Merchant Marine Academy has a new basketball coach—Dan Buckley and an outstanding returnee—Neal Snape.

Buckley, who had a record of 462-141 at LaSalle Academy in New York and developed John Roche among others, hopes to turn around the 10-15 mark of last season.

Snape, 6-5, averaged 15 points as a sophomore and will be the hub of the squad which will have Jimmy Brennan and Dan Rodgers returning as starters in the back court. Other help should come from frosh Tom DeBoer and Will Reavds.

ALFRED

Despite the loss of leading scorer and rebounder, Gar Zeitler, Alfred should be improved this season.

The key for coach Bob Baker is 6-6 center Tom Ripple along with other returning lettermen Earl Alexander, Bill Dysart, Ron Pedrick, John Wallace, Jim Hopkins and Jack Valentino. John Sims, up from the frosh, should push for a starting job.

DOWLING

Dowling is looking for a very successful campaign with seven lettermen back including four of five starters from an 18-8 team. Pacing the vets is 6-4 Parnell Campbell who averaged 11.9 points and 10 rebounds.

Others who figure to start are 6-3 Sandy Albano (12.0), 6-0 Herb Johnson (11.6), 6-3 Gerald Lee (17.2) and 5-9 Paul Reed (4.1).

PHILADELPHIA TEXTILE

A perennial small college power, Philadelphia Textile again appears to have the talent to make it to the NCAA playoffs.

Back are the top two scorers, 6-3 forward Billy Banks (19.6) and 6-6 forward George Hill (13.2)

Rounding out the starting lineup will be returnees 6-1 guard Kevin Dougherty (7.5), 6-7 center Marty Fricko (8.3 points and 8.1 rebounds) and 5-9 guard Ed Swift (9.8). Mark Williams, a 6-6 center, who averaged nine points and 13 rebounds is another front court possibility.

LINCOLN

Lincoln, winners of the Delaware Valley Conference the past five years, will be rebuilding, having lost its top playmaker, leading rebounder and high scorer.

Only two starters—6-8 Sterling Wright (12.2 points and 14 rebounds) and 6-0 George Gooden (16.5)—are back.

Filling out the first five will be 6-8 sophomore Charles Johnson, 6-5 Chuck Henderson and either 6-1 Barry White or 6-0 Garry White.

MARIST

The loss of nine lettermen, including the entire front court from last season's 16-9 team dampens the outlook at Marist.

The Foxes will be built around Mike Hart (9.6) and Jim Martell (7.0), a pair of 6-6 forwards, and juniors Bill Ross and Jim Osika.

Coach Ron Retro is also counting on help from sophomores 6-4 Joe Cirasella (22 points and 22 rebounds) and Allen Fairhurst (16.0).

UNION

All-American Jim Tedisco has graduated but the other four starters return from last season's 19-3 Union team.

Tom Bacher, Mike Doyle and Geoff Walker, all 6-3, are a small but effective front line that as a starting unit has won 37 of 43. Bacher averaged 13.5, Walker 13.3 and Doyle 12.6.

Bill Carmody is the returning back court starter (8.6). Three players, transfer Luke Dillon, last year's sixth man Chuck Abba (5.4) and sophomore Chuck Gugliotta will fight it out for the other spot.

ELIZABETHTOWN

Following a 4-18 season, Elizabethtown can go nowhere but up. The Jays have a new coach, Don Smith and some solid talent returning.

Back are Dan Woodward, who has a 14 point average, Wally Kisthardt (7.7) and Gary Frymoyer (10.4). They'll likely be joined as starters by Tom Beach and Dave Beck.

IONA

The return of 6-10 Bernie Socha along with a host of others gives promise for Iona. Last year, the Gaels, coached by Jimmy McDermott, were 6-17.

Socha missed the campaign following surgery. Two years ago he averaged 9.3 points and 10.7 rebounds. He'll be joined by 6-4 Gary Torigian (16.5), 6-7 Ray Hyland (15.8 points and 15.2 rebounds), 6-1 Jim Riches (14.0) and sophomore Jim McLaurin (27.0).

STEVENS TECH

Four starters return for Stevens Tech, including 6-2 Tom Cress, one of the hotshot college division players in the country. Cress, who averaged 26.8 points a game for Tech (11-5), will break the school's career mark.

Joining him in the starting lineup will be 6-3 Tom McInerney (14.0), 5-11 Greg Gemgani (9.1), 5-10 Augie Morris (8.0) and sophomore 6-2 Steve Meredity (20.7).

PITT AT JOHNSTOWN

Dick Walker will begin his second year as head coach at UPJ with ten lettermen and all five starters returning from last season's 9-12 team.

The quintet, which all averaged in double figures is comprised of Joe Bonner (12.3), Gary McKenzie (11.7), Jeff Myers (17.0), Mike Pegues (13.1) and Dan Thorwart (12.6).

Also back are the two top reserves, Alan Young (6.2) and Gary Smith (5.1).

LYCOMING

Despite a 9-13 mark, Lycoming should be in the thick of the fight for the championship of the MAC Northern Division. The club lost only one player but needs an all-around back court man to be a big winner.

Coach Dutch Burch's starting squad will be 6-5 Steve Cogan (7.3) at center, 6-5 Tom Smith (16.7) and 6-5 sophomore Dave Reid at the forwards and 6-4 Rich Henninger (26.6) and 6-3 Craig Harris (6.7) at the guards.

QUEENS

All nine of the players who finished the 1971-72 season with Queens are back—and none is bigger than 6-4, causing some rebounding worries for coach Charlie Crawford.

The Knights, who were 10-13 will rely on 5-8 Mark Goodman (13.1), 5-9 Darney Gripper (14.8), 5-11 John Molinari (12.1) and 6-2 Tom Newell (12.2).

Success might result from the presence of newcomers 6-5 Lee Kendall, 6-5 Rich Kinney and 6-7 Paul Langrock.

COAST GUARD

For the first time in 16 years, there's a chance for a winning season at the Coast Guard Academy. Coach Pete Broaca's Bears finished 8-15 last year, but have four starters returning.

They are Steve Trenchar, Bob Petko, Pack Shuck and Ken Bradley. Petko and Shuck are the leading scorers, each with 12.5 averages.

Other help will come from Bill Angel, the frosh's leading scorer, Joe Duncan, who missed last season, Dave Willhite and Carl McGill.

WAGNER

John Goodwin is the new basketball coach at Wagner, replacing Chester Sellitto who left due to financial cutbacks. This in itself tells a little about Wagner's chances this season.

The Seahawks (8-17) have Tom Miller back. He'll reach the 1,000 point mark this year. Guard JoJo Jones (12.7) helps in the back court and will likely be joined by Ron Hancox. There are 11 lettermen in all.

ST JOHN'S FISHER

St. John's Fisher may find it hard to equal its record of the past two years (36-5) with the loss of its all-time leading scorer Bill Heppeler.

Rick Sydlo and Carl Wenzel will be at the guards with Mike Goonan at center and Tom Heppeler and Jon Richardson at the forwards.

Coach Bobby Wanzer, the former National Basketball Association star, also recruited a "sleeper" 6-10 Paul Zaretsky, who has played only two years of competitive ball.

C.W. POST

C.W. Post with new coach Herb Brown, looks like it has a post-season tournament team. The Pioneers have four returning starters and an outstanding transfer in 6-6 sophomore Ron Rutledge. Improvement on last year's 17-9 mark is almost a certainty.

Post will have a well rounded team with 6-3 Ed Miller (12.4) and 6-3 Pete Haubner (7.1) at the guards, 6-6 Ed Fields (6.0) at center and 6-4 Russ Wilson (8.2) at the other forward.

There are two outstanding sophomore prospects, 6-5 Art McKeldin (22.0) and 5-10 Glenn Haugk (12.5), while among the incoming frosh is 6-11 Dennis High, biggest ever at the school.

DREW

Drew started last season with two 6-7 freshmen and hopes for a break-even season. Both players left and the club wound up 5-16.

This time around Drew has four starters back—Mike Frankhauser (12.7), Bob Mansueto (7.2), Ed Osterhout (19.2) and Merrit Schwartz (8.2). One of the dropouts, Jon Mardy, is back, too.

Rounding out the squad are Joe Cipriani, Dan Hawkins, Bart Rhea, Rusty Siegel, Randy Therrien and freshmen Dan Brown, Tom Dorsey, Tom Vigna, and Vernon Shepard.

HUNTER

Hunter went 20-5 last year and received a bid to the NCAA College Division playoffs which was later recinded because of complications with the 1.6 rule.

Tony Scolnick has all his big guns back so another Knickerbocker Conference title is a foregone conclusion. Best of the returnees are Reggie Speights (16.5), John Bradley (14.4), Glenn Jay (11.8), Larry Pyser (9.7) and Frank Barber (7.6). Speights also averaged better than 12 rebounds a game.

ST. FRANCIS (N.Y.)

St. Francis (NY) faces its usual murderous schedule which includes St. John's, Providence, Manhattan and Rutgers but coach Les Yellin has some hopes this time around.

The optimism is prompted by four returning starters, the addition of a sophomore who averaged better than 30 points a game for the frosh and a 6-8 incoming standout.

Back are Dennis McDermott (16.5 points and 10 rebounds), Jack McCue (11.1 points and 9.5 rebounds), Ron Jones (10.6) and Mike Rivera (8.5). The sophomore hotshot is George Young (30.7, including 50 against the Manhattan frosh, and the newcomer is freshman Jerome Williams.

MONTCLAIR STATE

With three starters lost via graduation, Montclair State will have a tough time duplicating last season's 16-8 record.

Coach Ollie Gelston will go with Calvin Blue (4.2), Rick Brown (5.0), Tom Dux (11.5), Chuck Holland (19.3 with the frosh) and Joe Lyons (7.3).

Additional help will come from lettermen John Krawczyk, Scott Riley, Brendan Suhr and sophomores Tom Fay, Larry Hughes, and Jeff Macauley.

SUSQUEHANNA

Coach Barry Keadle suffered through an 8-17 season at Susquehanna last year with most of the blame resting on the inability of the guards to handle the ball.

To remedy the situation, he went out and recruited Benn Candelino and Jim Baglin from the junior college ranks.

They'll join front court players Doug Snowberger (12.0) and Frnak Tuschak, the forwards and Paul Hinsch or freshman Dave Long at center.

MERCYHURST

After a fine 16-9 season for Mercyhurst (the team's first in intercollegiate competition), coach Dick Fox is already looking toward the future.

The Lakers lost only one player who saw considerable action and there are four outstanding freshman recruits.

Heading the returnees is J.C. Carter, who averaged 20.6 points a game. Three sophomores—Steve Albert, Carl Jones and Mike Emick—will be joined in the starting lineup by Jesse Campbell, a prep All-American from Michigan who averaged 30.3 points and 31.0 rebounds as a senior.

EAST STROUDSBURG

Guard Kevin Morrissey, who has quarterbacked East Stroudsburg to 40 wins in two seasons will carry the hopes the basketball team has in 1972-73.

Morrissey has been the team's playmaker, leader in assists and steals and averaged 14.3 points a game.

Coach Ken Sisson must replace his entire front line but has good help in Al Keglovits, Skip Milford and newcomers Kevin Kelleher and Mike Reilly. Len Poole is back at guard with help coming from Charlie Bowen and Ray Wohl.

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The returnees are paced by Ken Turner, a 6-3 forward who averaged better than 10 rebounds a game and 6-0 Joe Wall, who set a NEC assist record. Other veterans expected to step into starting slots are 5-10 Brad Burley and 6-5 Chris Caputo. Pete Diesel, a 6-2 senior, or Earl Horn, a 6-2 sophomore will fill the other forward spot.

NICHOLS

Gone are four of the five starters and the top backup man from last year's 11-9 Nichols basketball team. The only returnee is 6-1 Gary McNulty, who averaged 15.0 points a game.

Coach Linc MacDonald will fill in the remaining jobs with Jack Joyce, Brian Corley, Bob David, Bob Duval, Bob Saster, Jim Sierkierski, Rick Weiss and incoming freshmen, Kevin McNulty (Gary's brother) and John Crimmins.

MIDDLEBURY

Times have changed at Middlebury, where once a successful season meant two or three wins. Last year the Panthers were 15-8, best in history and included an eight game streak.

Leading scorer Rick Hayes is back. The 6-2 forward averaged 15.4 points a game. Also back are sophomore playmaker Dave Pentkowski and rebounder, 6-6 Russ Chapel. The

other probable starters are Jack Kirsch and Bob Elliott.

Middlebury coach Tom Lawson, a defensive proponent, saw his club allow only 66.8 points a game last season, which ranked it among the Top 20.

COLBY

A murderous early season schedule which finds Colby playing eight of its first 10 games on the road will tell a lot about the team's chances of improving on last year's 14-10 mark.

Seven lettermen are back, paced by 6-5 sophomore Brad Moore, who averaged 15.5 and better than 13 rebounds a game, and 6-3 Steve Colella (11.9). Other letterwinners are Tom Sullivan (6.8), Steve Jasinski (7.8), Bill Clay (3.6), Jim Glover (6.5) and Morrie Herman (2.5).

HARTFORD

Hartford head coach Gordon McCullough will field a young team this season with three or four sophomores in the starting lineup. Thus, it will be hard to duplicate the 18-6 mark, which included a post-season NCAA bid.

It's not as bad as it sounds—three of the sophs were regulars as freshmen. Leading the way is 6-5 center Pete Egan, who averaged 19.9 points and 12.2 rebounds, back court leader Chuck Harding (8.0 points and 7.5 assists) and Steve Scheer (4.9). The other sophomore could be Gary LaRocque, a top reserve last season.

Mike Meade (9.0) will battle freshman newcomer 6-7 Phil Levesque for the starting center job.

MERRIMACK

Merrimack faces the task of replacing leading scorer Steve McMahon, but has four starters back and should make a strong push for small college supremacy in New England.

Returnees include 6-4 Phil McDonald who averaged 21.2 points and seven rebounds a game, 6-4 Larry Roberson (12.2 points & 14 rebounds), 5-9 Gary Monahan (10 points and five assists) and 5-11 Pete Piantidosi (9.4).

The fifth spot will go to either 6-5 Tom Morphis (1.5) or 6-5 Frank Kasyan (2.4). Coach Frank Monahan added four good recruits—Pete Tucker, Kevin Feighery, Tom Connor and Walter Makiej, all of whom figure to play.

ST. MICHAEL'S

Coach Walt Baumann will have six lettermen returning for his first season as St. Michael's head coach. Of the seniorless squad, the top players are 6-4 Frank Laffin and 6-0 Bob Toner. Laffin averaged 22 points a game last year while Toner hit for 14.9 a game. The other lettermen are John Butler, Gene Cizynski, Gary Fagan and John Lanchantin.

In an effort to improve on last year's 12-11 mark, Baumann brought in four freshmen—John Balczuk, Joe Myers, Ray White and 6-9, 275-pound Ken Johnson.

NEW HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE

Sometimes it pays to play visiting foreign team as New Hampshire College found out. The Penmen met the Great Britain Olympic team last fall and recruited one of its top players, 7-1 Fred Petty.

Louis D'Allensandro, who retired from coaching in 1970 is back with the prospects great for an outstanding year. Also back Foster Davis (25.3), Don O'Toole (14.7) and John

BRYANT

This should be one of the most successful seasons in the history of Bryant basketball. Coach Tom Folliard has 10 lettermen returning from a 13-10 squad, including the top three scorers and six of the seven top starters.

The leading vets are Ray Depelteau "Outstanding College Division Player in Rhode Island" who averaged 15.2 points and 11.7 rebounds; Brian Ahern (14.3), Bruce Stewart (12.3), Ned Hohan (7.1) and Frank McCormack (7.8).

Folliard has recruited several outstanding freshmen including 6-10 Charlie Armstrong and 6-8 Dave Sorafine.

AMHERST

Although Amherst managed but a 7-11 season, coach Rick Wilson remains optimistic. The main reason is 6-5 junior Glenn Farrell, who led the team in rebounding and scoring. He scored 15 points a game, brought down nine rebounds and shot .560 from the floor.

Also back are 6-3 forward Bob LaVigne (13.5), 6-7 Dave Margulies (6.9), 6-0 Chris Petrides (6.4) and 6-3 Freddie Scott (5.3).

The freshmen managed only a 2-12 record, but three players Dave Hixon, Paul Lopez and George Foriades are expected to help.

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RHODE ISLAND

Tom Carmody's Rhode Island team figures to walk away with the Yankee Conference crown this year. The Rams are loaded with talent and have four starters back from last season.

The group is headed by 6-6 Don Blackman, who transferred from Duke. He will be joined by returnees 6-6 Robby Young, who came by way of Johnson & Wales J.C.; 6-3 Tom Barao (Wisconsin) and Steve Rowell.

John Morley and Tom Leone, top reserves last season, return and there's additional help coming from a strong frosh team. Larry Levane, son of the former St. John's star, will battle Joe Charles (Niagara Community College) will battle for the playmaking job.

Sophomores Randy Hughes and Jerry Minetti are also expected to provide depth.

CONNECTICUT

With eight lettermen returning, including three starters and with the addition of two outstanding sophomores, Connecticut could turn around its 8-17 mark of last year.

Coach Dee Rowe's club will benefit greatly by the addition of 6-5 sophomore Earl Wilson, who averaged 25 points a game last year. His rebounding and scoring punch was sorely needed. The other soph expected to start is 6-3 Larry Livramento (15.1).

Joining Wilson up front will be holdovers 6-7 Gary Custick (18.3 points and nine rebounds) at center and 6-5 Cal Chapman (16.8) at the other corner. The starting lineup will be rebound out by 6-2 guard Al Vaughn (13.4).

Other lettermen returning are Pat Mullin, Bob Persons, Bill Deehan and Lee Barbach.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

New Hampshire will have to rely on youth to carry them through the 1972-73 season. Four starters are gone from a team that finished 14-9 overall and 5-5 in the Yankee Conference.

Coach Gerry Friel will start only one senior—6-2 guard Paul Cormier, who averaged 9.4 points a game. He'll be joined in the backcourt by 5-10 junior Erie Feragne, the Wildcats, leading returning scorer with a 14.1 average.

Lon Cohen, a 6-7 junior (2.8) will take over at center and be joined up front by 6-6 Rick Minkwitz (3.0) and 6-5 sophomore Dennis Sargent (22.5 with the frosh).

Four other lettermen are back—Bill Stewart, Dick Muller, Todd Nechtem and Paul Howe.

Rounding out the squad will be sophomores Paul Doherty, Mike Keough and George Young.

MAINE

The loss of five lettermen, including three starters, will make things difficult for Maine. However coach Tom "Skip" Chappelle, who led the club to its best record (15-10) in 11 years, does have two top players back-second team All-Yankee Conference forward Peter Gavett and play-making guard Jack Morrison.

Gavett, a 6-7 senior, averaged 18.3 points a game and was the team's second leading rebounder with an 8.8 norm. Morrison averaged 6.8 points a contest.

Moving in at center will be 6-6 freshman, Bob Warner, who averaged 26 points and 22 rebounds a game as a high school senior.

The other spots will be filled by 5-11 junior Tony Hamlin (3.7) and 6-8 freshman Steve Conley (15.7 points and 18 rebounds).

Rounding out the squad are Tom Burns, Milt Hadley, Rick Hillman, Dick Kelly and Steve Lane.

BOSTON U.

The four top scorers are back at Boston U. and arriving to the varsity will be the highest scoring freshman in the school's history. All of this spells improvement for coach Ron Mitchell, whose team was 7-16 last year.

Heading up the returnees is 6-5 Kenny Boyd, who led the Yankee Conference in scoring with a 23.4 average, was fourth in rebounding (11.9) and was selected the league's "Sophomore of the Year."

Also back are Jim Garvin (11.8 points and 14.1 rebounds), Steve Dabney (9.3) and Bob Barker (8.2).

The much heralded sophomore is 6-3 Kerry Walker, who averaged 31.2 points a game and is an outstanding outside shooter.

Other returning lettermen include Bruce Brock, Vic Gathers, John Hayes and Gerry McClellan.

MASSACHUSETTS

Things have not been the same at Massachusetts since Julius Erving left school before the start of last season. The once bubbling basketball program has tapered off.

One of the big plusses for the Redmen is coach Jack Leaman, a masterful tactician.

He'll build his squad around senior cornerman Tom McLaughlin and juniors Al Skinner, Rick Petino and Pete Trow.

Despite the letdown, there's still some good talent around. However it's not a team coming off a post season tournament berth—a fact that would have occurred had Erving stayed in school.

VERMONT

Vermont has a new coach, Pete Salzberg, formerly an assistant at Columbia, and he's blessed with some good talent.

Juniors Fred Zimmerman, Tyrone Minor and Dave Kashilines all figure to be important factors for the team in the rebuilding program which will have to be done.

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MISSISSIPPI

With six of seven starters returning from last year's surprising team, the Mississippi Rebels will continue their climb toward the first division of the Southeastern Conference.

During the 1971-72 campaign, coach Cob Jarvis started three sophomores—Fred Cox, Coolidge Ball and Tom Jordan—and they responded to lead the Rebels to an overall 13-12 mark and 8-10 in the SEC.

Chances to move up are dimmed somewhat by the fact that most of the other teams in the league had young, impressive talent which is returning.

Cox, a 7-0 junior, averaged 16.2 points and 10.8 rebounds a game, while hitting .527 from the floor. Jarvis feels that with added strength and endurance, Cox could emerge as one of the SEC's superstars.

Ball, a 6-5 junior, who was highly touted, led the Rebels in scoring with 16.8 points per game, but shot only .436 from the floor. He was second on the club in rebounding with a 10.3 average.

Jordan, a 6-footer, averaged 11.1 points per contest and will be joined in the backcourt by 6-0 senior Danny Rhodes, who established a new SEC mark of 37 consecutive free throws last season.

The other two who started at one time or another during the season are 6-7 Steve Strickland and 6-2 Danny Gunn. Other lettermen returning are 6-7 Dave Smith and 5-11 guard Gene Waggoner.

Also set for action are two redshirts and four extremely promising rookies up from a frosh team that was 18-4.

The four sophs are 6-6 Matt Meibers, 6-9 Dave Downing, 6-4 Bob Mahoney and 6-3 Dean Hudson. Meibers and Downing both averaged over 20 points and 12 rebounds a game.

The redshirt holdovers are 6-5 Keith Michaels and 6-7 Tommy Sykes, both forwards.

AUBURN

With four of six top players returning, plus several outstanding sophomore prospects, Auburn hopes to improve on the 1971-72 record of 10-16 (6-12 in the SEC).

Coach Bob Lynn's squad will be paced by 6-9 senior Jim Retseck, one of the better big players in the conference. As a junior, the center averaged 16.5 points a game and 9.2 rebounds, shooting .441 from the floor. Retseck had a tendency to get into foul trouble (out of eight games), a figure he hopes to cut back on.

The other big man up front with Retseck will be Sylvester Davenport, who as a freshman averaged 18.4 points and 14.3 rebounds a game. The Tigers were one of the poorest rebounding teams in the SEC, hauling in only 42.8 per game. Still, they just managed to outrebound their opponents.

Rounding out the starting five will be all veterans from last year's squad—Garry England (9.2), Ernie Magri (8.4) and Mike Christian (8.3).

Others up from the freshman squad, which was 12-9 overall and 8-8 against other yearling teams in the SEC, are Jerry Lamberson, Dan Cox, Rex Howell, Joe Allen and Karl Farnham.

Lynn went after big men in his recruiting and came up with several gems including 6-10 Glen Moon, 6-6 Gary Redding, 6-8 Bobby Bond, 6-9 Mike Roach and 6-7 Gene Swindle. Redding, out of Atlanta, is considered the best prospect and could see plenty of action this season.

Auburn will have to scratch to win games and will wind up fighting to stay out of the SEC cellar.

MISSISSIPPI STATE

Mississippi State's basketball team will be bigger and more experienced than last year's club which finished 13-13 overall and 6-12 in the Southeastern Conference.

Coach Kermit Davis can count on four returning regulars, along with considerable help from the redshirts and freshman prospects.

Returning regulars include forwards 6-5 Malcolm Wesson, and 6-6 Bill Singletary; 6-5 center Terry Kusnierz and 6-1 guard Taki Koroneos.

Also returning are front line replacements 6-5 Jeff Watkins and 6-4 Mike Vosburgh.

Watkins, who averaged 12.5 was the Bulldogs' second-ranking scorer with Kusnierz, one of the SEC's top sophomores last year, averaging 11.4 points and 12 rebounds per game. Koroneos averaged 9.2, Wesson 8.4, Singletary 5.3 and Vosburgh 3.2.

Promising newcomers include 6-9 center Bob Shapiro, who was held out last season and freshman team graduates 6-7 forward Jerry Jenkins, 6-7 center Steve Steinwedel, 6-5 forward Larry Fry and 6-1 guard Ricky Hardin.

Jenkins averaged 20.9 and 12 rebounds for last year's frosh team, which had a 14-5 record. Steinwedel averaged 17.6 points and 11.3 rebounds; Hardin 17.5 and Fry 16.8.

Davis figures to go with a starting lineup of Koroneos and Jenkins at the guards, Shapiro at center and Wesson and Ksuinerz at the forwards.

Of the incoming freshmen, Davis feels that Rich Knarr, an All-State 6-2 guard from Illinois has the best chance of any of the recruits to play varsity ball.

FLORIDA

The Florida Gators highest hopes rest on the performance and leadership furnished by returning Southeastern Conference scoring champion Tony Miller. The 6-1 wing man, who will be the team captain, averaged 26.7 points per game on a team that was 10-15 overall and 4-14 in the SEC.

Miller's performance was all the more remarkable because he missed six SEC games with an injury which then hampered his play the remainder of the campaign. He had a single game high of 54 against Chicago State and was never held under double figures.

The scoring ace will be the nucleus for a trio of starters from last year. Steve Williams, a 6-3 junior wing man who started will likely receive strong competition for the spot from 6-4 junior Mark Thompson, 6-5 Don Close and 6-3 junior Malcolm Meeks.

Thompson saw limited action last season and averaged 5.4 points per game. Close was held out due to an ankle injury, but averaged 15 points and 10 rebounds as a freshman. Meeks was ineligible much of last season but is a capable leaper and rebounder who could be a contender for the spot.

Doug Brown, a 7-0 junior who started most games, will battle for the high post spot with 6-8 sophomore Gary McCooe, who averaged 18.7 and 12.8 rebounds as a freshman. Coach Tommy Bartlett believes that, with experience, McCooe could become one of the best in the league.

Senior Gary Waddell, a 6-10 post player will battle 6-8 sophomore Chip Williams, who led the frosh in both scoring and rebounding (21.2 & 14.1).

Most likely to take over the point job is junior Tim Fletcher, who averaged 7.3 points a game. Ted Sizemore is another possibility.

LSU

Louisiana State University's new head coach Dale Brown faces a tedious task of rebuilding this season, taking over a club that was 10-16 and has only three part-time starters returning.

Brown is perhaps one of the most thankful coaches in the nation for the new freshman rule that permits the use of first year players. They won't be the salvation for the Tigers, but at least will help.

Almost certain to start is 6-5 Mickey Heard, a prep All-American from New Haven, Conn. Also given a good shot to play a great deal are Chris Raymond, a 6-3 guard from Louisiana, Eddie LeBlanc, a hometown boy, who is 6-8 and John Engquist, a 6-6 forward who averaged 23 points and 14 rebounds a game.

Jeff Taylor, a 6-1 guard, who saw action last year, averaging 6.2 points a game, will

likely start the season at one guard opposite a freshman.

Other guards will be John Brantley (4.2), Marv Allman (1.6), sophomore Eddie Young (23.9) and 6-2 redshirt Dawn Tonkovich. Mike Darnell, another soph, is fighting for a job, too.

Collis Temple, a 6-8 junior, who averaged 6.2 points and 6.7 rebounds a game, will be the starting center, while others battling for an up front spot will be Carl Siener, and Bill Whittle.

Brown takes over from Press Maravich, who was given the boot. Maravich served his purpose for LSU, giving the school four years of entertainment by his son, Pistol Pete. The Maraviches were primarily responsible for getting LSU's new arena built. But, as they say, that's show business.

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(11.8) up front with holderover 6-2 Joe Cafferky (14.3) and sophomore Monte Towe in the back court. When Thompson moves to guard with Cafferky, 6-8 junior Steve Nuce (9.0) or 6-7 Tim Stoddard (15.6 points and 13.1 rebounds) will take over at forward.

"I think we'll be a good, solid basketball team," says Sloan, whose Wolfpack were 16-10 overall and 6-6 in the ACC. "We have adequate experience, better-than-average depth and speed. And in Thompson and Burleson we have two players of All-America calibre."

The additional depth will be provided by lettermen Bob Heuts, and Steve Smoral, transfer Greg Hawkins and sophomores Leo Campbell, Mike Dempsey, Craig Kuszmaul, John McNeely and Mark Moeller.

VIRGINIA

For many years, Virginia was the doormat of the basketball rich Atlantic Coast Conference. Then, along came coach Bill Gibson who injected life into a sagging program.

Several years ago, he recruited a 6-3 guard named Barry Parkhill out of State College, Pa. (home of Penn State). With the addition of a few others, the Cavaliers suddenly became a team to be reckoned with.

Last season, Virginia was 21-7 overall and finished second in the regular season ACC race, earning a bid to the National Invitation Basketball Tournament.

Parkhill, nicknamed "Mr. BP" because the ACC Player-of-the-Year, averaging nearly 22 points a game. He was also selected as an alternate by the U.S. Olympic team.

Gibson has found another Pennsylvania hotshot, 6-6 Wally Walker and he figures to be a starter as a freshman. Walker, called by North Carolina coach, Dean Smith, "The second coming of Rick Barry" averaged 32 points and 22 rebounds a game as a high school senior.

Joining Walker at forward will be 6-4 senior Jim Hobgood, who averaged 12 points a game.

The other two spots will most likely be handled by sophomores. At center, 6-7 Dan Gerard, a super leaper, who averaged 24.1 points and 12.2 rebounds figures to get the nod over 6-10 junior Lanny Stahurski (3.9). Andy Boniti (6-3), who scored at a 16.3 CCIP for the frosh will team with Parkhill in the back court.

Reserve strength will be provided by lettermen Bob McKeag, Al Drummond, Larry Gerry and Steve Morris and sophomores Spencer Graham, Dan Bonner and Brian Tully.

DUKE

Despite all the defections over the past two years, Duke coach Bucky Waters will field a very representative team this season.

It doesn't appear that the Blue Devils have the personnel to fight for the Atlantic Coast Conference title, but they're strong enough to cause plenty of trouble and most likely will wind up deciding the ultimate champion though an upset here and there.

Three starters—Chris Redding, Alan Shaw and Gary Melchionni—are back from a squad which was 14-12 overall and 6-6 in the ACC.

Shaw, a 6-10 center, who averaged 12.4 points and 11.8 rebounds a game, was a second team All-ACC choice as was Melchionni, a 6-3 guard who scored at a 11.7 average. Melchionni was hampered by a leg injury suffered early in the season.

Redding, a 6-8 forward, was a pleasant surprise as a sophomore, averaging 14.8 points, tops on the club. Waters expects him to be a standout this campaign.

Sophomore Bob Fleischer, 6-8, who averaged 15.3 points with the yearlings, figures to start up front opposite Redding with 6-4 Pete Kramer, 6-5 Neil Chinault, and freshmen 6-9 Willie Hodge in reserve.

The guard spot opposite Melchionni will likely be shared by 5-11 Jeff Burdette, a part-time starter last year, and 6-2 sophomore Kevin Billerman (15.3). Another possibility as the season wears on is 6-4 freshman Dave O'Connell, a blue-chip prospect.

Backing up will be Zeno Edwards, Paul Fox and Bill Suk. Suk should see action as a swing man.

Waters can look back and figure on what might have been with players like Don Blackman, Richie O'Conner, and Jeff Dawson. In the end, he's probably better off the way things worked out.

CLEMSON

Coach Tates Locke said before the 1970-71 season, his first at Clemson, that his plan was to have the Tigers competitive in the Atlantic Coast Conference his third year and be a championship contender his fifth season.

This will be Locke's third year and his team looks to be right on schedule.

Four starters are back, but two of them are in jeopardy of losing their jobs.

Certain for starting assignments are 6-10 senior center Dave Angel, who averaged 13.9 points and 9.7 rebounds a game last year, and 6-6 junior forward, Mike Browning (11.9 & 7.3).

Buddy Martin, a starter, figures to battle for a job with Ron DiPasqualre, a transfer from Pace, and sophomore Van Gregg, who averaged 23.7 points a game for the frosh. Martin, a 6-0 senior, scored at a 6.4 rate last year. Terrell Suit, a 6-0 junior, who averaged 11 points a contest, will be relegated to reserve duty.

Joining Browning up front will be either Wayne Croft, a 6-8 sophomore, who hit for 18.2 points a game along with 14.4 rebounds, or Jeff Reisinger, a 6-6 transfer from Anderson (S.C.) Junior College.

Providing the bench strength will be Jive Brown, Joe Cooley, Mel Francisco, Danny Miller, John Williams, Marty Patterson, Rick Hunt and Doug Lowe.

An independent pollster last year determined that Clemson played the toughest schedule of any team in the nation. The Tigers ended 10-16, losing three by two points, three by four points, and another by seven. Locke has softened the schedule somewhat and hopes his team will turn the close ones around.

WAKE FOREST

Wake Forest will have a new coach, a new look and renewed enthusiasm as the 1972-73 season gets underway.

Cal Stacy, who guided Marshall to an NCAA playoff berth last season, takes over for Jack McClosky, who moved on to take the job with the Portland Trailblazers of the National Basketball Association.

Stacy started the Deacons' program in the right direction almost immediately after accepting the job. He convinced 6-11 high school senior, Danny Moses, who had been set to go to Marshall, to change his mind and join him at Wake Forest.

Moses is the big, strong center Stacy wants to start the break on his run and shoot attack. The big man will be one of very few freshmen to start in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Another of Stacy's recruits who figures to start is Tony Byers, a 6-2 guard, who was the leading scorer (21.5) on Vincennes' national junior college championship team last season. Byers hit 68 per cent of his shots.

Joining him at guard will be either holdover Eddie Payne or Bill Perry, who led the freshman team with a 25 point per game average.

Up front, the battle for the starting jobs will be among holdovers Sam Jackson and Willie Griffin and J.J. Grant, the latter a JC transfer where he averaged 19.8 points and 11.3 rebounds a game. Another possibility is 6-5 Henry Hicks, who sat out last season. Two years ago, he was player of the year in Delaware.

Others who should see plenty of action are sophomore Mike Parrish, 6-7; and Tim Stare, 6-9.

Wake Forest will be improved but figures to be at the bottom of the conference again.

NORTH CAROLINA

With the graduation of six seniors and the loss of All-American Robert McAdoo to the Buffalo Braves of the National Basketball Association, North Carolina faces a big challenge in its effort to defend the Atlantic Coast Conference championship.

Despite all the losses, Carolina again figures to have a good team, once capable of attaining a national ranking.

The leading returness are 6-9 Bobby Jones, a forward, who represented the United States in the recently completed Olympic Games, and 6-0 guard Geroge Karl.

Jones, who will be a junior, averaged 10.2 points and six rebounds a game as a part time

starter. He also set a school record with a shooting percentage of .668. Karl averaged 11.7 points a game and handed out 124 assists.

Joining Jones up front will most likely be a couple of sophomores, 6-10 Ed Stahl at center and 6-8 Donald Washington at the other corner. Other possibilities are 6-8 Donn Johnston and 6-6 John O'Donnell, reserves last year and incoming freshman 6-9 Mitch Kupchak.

Karl's mate in the backcourt will be either holdovers Ray Hite and Darrell Slston or Sophomores Ray Harrison and Brad Hoffman.

Hite was the first backcourt sub last season and Elston was basically a mop up player. Hoffman and Harrison were the starting guards on the freshman team.

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At the corners, it will be 6-6 Chuck Witt (6.8 and 5.6) and one of five sophomores; 6-6 Mike Larson, 6-6 Larry Arrington, 6-5 Bobby Caylor, 6-7 Jerry Bundy or 6-6 Ken Allison. Larson, who did not compete last season, averaged 15.3 points and 11.9 rebounds in 1971-72, while Allison paced last year's frosh with 25.9 points and a 15.1 rebound average.

Tony Stroud, 6-2, who averaged 10.7 points a game will be one guard. He will be joined by either Ray Kleykam or Dennis Smith from the varsity, transfer Mike Smith or freshmen Johnny Britt or Chuck Rawlings.

TENNESSEE TECH

Three-all-conference players return to make Tennessee Tech a contender in the Ohio Valley Conference basketball race.

Back are Rich Stone, Al Lewis and Wayne Pack. Stone, a 6-4 forward, who was the team's top scorer (19.2) and rebounder (10.4), and Lewis, a 6-2 guard (15.8) made the first team, while Pack, a 6-0 playmaking guard (14.3) placed on the second unit. The trio ranked 1-2-3 in team stats in leading Tech to a 14-11 overall mark.

They will be joined by several top prospects from a good freshman team with 6-7 Geoff Shuck (20.9 & 7.1) and 6-6 Stan Cox (22.5 & 10.7) heading the list. Also 6-6 Randy Mehlon (11.4) and 6-7 Alton Roark (7.4) along with lettermen Howard Miller, Jim Clemens and Mark Bray.

Due to the freshman-eligible ruling, Tech expects to receive immediate help from several high school recruits, including 6-2 guard Frank Jones and Ray Bulatovich, the latter the top scorer in Indiana.

AUSTIN-PEAY

With seven lettermen returning, along with four junior college transfers, four others who will be sophomores and the presence of a super freshman, Austin-Peay could turn out to be the Ohio Valley Conference's surprise team.

The returnees include 6-7 All-OVC performer Howard Jackson, who averaged 18.9 points and 11.6 rebounds, both team highs. He'll be joined by 6-9 center Greg Kinman (17.5 & 10.1) and 6-5 transfer Percy Howard on the front line.

Two sophomores, 6-5 Rich Jimmerson (16.1 & 13.8) and 6-5 Kemp Hampton (15.9 & 9.1) will be joined by JC transfers 6-7 Paul Thompson and 6-4 Tommy Higdon as front court reserves.

Eddie Childress, a 6-4 senior, who averaged 13.9 points a game will start in the back court with James "Fly" Williams, a 6-4 freshman, who rates as one of the best in the country. Williams has the tools to become one of the OVC's legendary players before his career ends. Backup help will come from JC transfer Julian Miller, sophomores Gary Sewell and Dave Shelton and lettermen John Reid, Bob Turner, Jerry Wanstrath and Jack Pack.

EASTERN KENTUCKY

Eastern Kentucky returns only two starters from last season's Ohio Valley Conference co-champions and NCAA representative. The Colonels finished 15-11 overall and 9-5 in the league.

All-OVC forward Charlie Mitchell, a 6-3 senior, heads a list of six returning lettermen. Last season he averaged 22.7 points and 8.3 rebounds as a forward. This year, Mitchell will play the back court.

Returning at center is 6-10 Dan Argaright, who averaged 10.8 points and 8.4 rebounds, shooting .523 from the field.

Reserves Robert Brooks and Rick Stansel, both 6-5, are the likely forward replacements. Brooks averaged 6.8 points and 4.8 rebounds, while Stansel, seeing only limited action hit for 1.3 points.

Joining Mitchell in the back court will be Ron Smith a 6-1 sophomore, who averaged 21.4 with the frosh, or 6-5 Bob Watkins, 6-5, who transferred from the University of New Mexico where he was the top scorer with the yearlings.

EAST TENNESSEE STATE

East Tennessee State returns six lettermen, five of whom started at one time or another last season when the Buccaneers finished 11-14 and 6-8 in the Ohio Valley Conference. However, the club lacks a good, big man which should keep it from challenging for the crown.

Henry White, a 6-2 junior, who led the Bucs in scoring with an 18.4 average, heads the list of returnees. Ron Mitchell, 6-7, scored at a 7.6 rate and was the leading rebounder with a 9.4 average.

Ron Hardin, 6-6, who averaged 6.2 points and 6-2 John Barrett (5.4) are other dependable holdovers with considerable experience, although neither is a prolific point maker. Jerry Wilkerson (6-6) and Rich Holbrook (6-2) also played last year.

The Bucs are hopeful that either of two 6-9 players—Bert Frasure, a redshirt or Chuck Shelton—come through. Darrell Price, (6-2), Clyde Scott (6-6) and Steve Messerli (6-7) are the prospects up from the frosh and the Bucks have added JC transfer Nat Majors and Ron Jones.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE

With three returning starters and a bevy of newcomers, Middle Tennessee State looks like a club which should contend for the Ohio Valley Conference championship.

The Blue Raiders, coached by Jimmy Earle, were 15-11 overall, but only 5-9 in the OVC.

Back are 6-10 center Chester Brown (13.4 points and 9.6 rebounds), 6-3 forward Jim Drew (12.5) and 5-11 guard Mason Bonner (6.2).

Drew will move to the backcourt to make room for some outstanding big men. Best of the bunch is 6-5 transfer Jimmy Powell, who is being called the finest player ever to enter Middle Tennessee. There are also three prime candidates up from the freshman team—6-7 Steve Peeler (17 points and 14 rebounds), 6-5 Jimmy Martin (25.2) and 6-11 Steve Dixon (13 points and 12 rebounds).

Incoming freshmen who will be counted on to play are 6-7 Dave Borman (32.5), 6-7 Tim Sisneros and 6-6 Dave Webster, along with juco transfer 6-4 Forrest Toms.

Earle is likely to go with a starting lineup of Brown at center, Powell and Peeler at forward and Martin and Drew at guard.

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One post position will go to 6-8 Shawn Leftwich (16.2 points) and 16.7 rebounds per contest.

The other post slot will be handled by 6-10, 230-pound Butch Taylor, an All-American at Gulf Coast (Fla.) Junior College where he averaged 20.5 points, 18.6 rebounds and 10 blocked shots per game.

Jacksonville's only holdover starter from last season will be Abe Steward, a 6-7 wingman, who was also a Juco All-American. Steward hit 10.9 points and grabbed 11.2 rebounds as a junior.

Leon Benbow (13.9 points) will be a top reserve along with 6-3 sophomore Jimmy Clark (16.1).

Additional help is expected from George Scholz, Bob Nylan, Lindsay Huth, Mike Denny and Dave Stowers.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Only two starters return—All-America guard Kevin Joyce and 7-0 center Danny Traylor—from last year's 24-5 quintet, but if Gamecock head coach Frank McGuire is able to shore up his graduation-weakened front line, South Carolina will be out after its fifth straight 20-win campaign and another post-season tournament invitation.

In addition to Joyce (who made the U.S. Olympic team) and Traylor, Gamecock returnees include 6-4 guard Brian Winters, 6-2 back courtman Casey Manning and 6-5 junior forward Rick Mousa, along with 5-11 guard Jimmy Powell and 6-5 swingman Billy Grimes.

Top sophomores off last year's 12-10 freshman team are 6-6 forward Tommy Cox, 6-7 center Clyde Agnew, 5-11 playmaker Jimmy Walsh and 6-3 guard George Felton.

Joyce, a strong jumping 6-3 do-it-all performer, is expected to up his point production after finishing with an 18.3 mark in 1971-72. The team captain and a clutch shooter who can play in the corner if need be, Joyce led the Gamecocks in assists.

Traylor improved tremendously last year and finished with a 14.3 scoring average. He led the squad in rebounding with 10.7 a game and blocked 122 shots. Winters, a talented shooter-playmaker, who started several games as a sophomore, averaged 8.3 points and shot over 50 per cent from the floor. Mousa (1.5) and Cox (24.0 and 13.6 rebounds) will start at forward.

The Gamecocks had an outstanding recruiting year with several of the incoming freshmen expected to get playing time. Most promising among the recruits is Mike Dunleavy, a 6-2 guard from New York City, who McGuire says is a player in the mold of former South Carolina great John Roche.

GEORGE WASHINGTON

When George Washington's freshmen defeated the varsity in a pre-season scrimmage last November, head coach Carl Slone sensed the kind of year it would be. True to form, the freshmen developed into one of the nation's top frosh quintets, winning 17 and losing only one, while the varsity struggled to an 11-14 record.

Now those freshmen are ready for varsity competition and they'll be a big help, since only four lettermen, including one starter and one experienced transfer are back.

Leading the list of veterans returning is 6-7 senior forward Mike Battle. He was the team's second-leading scorer (15.0) and leading rebounder (9.5). Joining him will be Randy Smith, 6-7 senior center-forward; Tom Rosepink, 6-4 junior forward and Randy Click, 6-0 senior guard. Jim McCloskey, a 6-3 guard who played freshman ball at the Air Force Academy during the 1968-69 season, has transferred to GW after spending two years at Andrews Air Force Base.

The outstanding crop of sophomores is headed by former high school All-American Pat Tallent and 6-11 Clyde Burwell.

Tallent did it all for the freshman team, averaging 26.2 points and six assists a game. He shot 53 per cent from the field and hit double figures in every game with a high of 37.

Burwell will give the Colonials their first great big man. The tallest player ever recruited by GW, Burwell averaged 18.6 points, 19.2 rebounds and seven blocked shots. Twice he had 32 rebounds in a game.

The other members of the soph crop include 6-6 Haviland Harper, who averaged 22.6 points and 10.7 rebounds; 6-3 Keith Morris (12.4) and 6-6 Bob Shanta (9.8 points and 10.5 rebounds).

Morris and Tallent are likely to start in the backcourt with Burwell at center and Smith and Battle at forwards.

TULANE

The future looks bright at Tulane, where coach Dick Longo has his top five scorers returning along with several strong prospects up from a record-setting (20-3) freshman team. Longo has also accelerated his rebuilding program by acquiring the two top veterans from Loyola, which has dropped intercollegiate athletics.

Heading the returnees is 6-5 forward Jeff Morris, who led the team with a 20.0 scoring average, highest ever by a Tulane sophomore.

Also back are 6-0 guard Bruce Bolyard (12.0), 6-5 forward Ricky Miller (11.3), 6-6 forward Mike Dressler (5.3), 6-8 center Ken Bastian (5.2), 6-7 center Jim Stanczak (3.7) and 5-11 guard Craig Pedersen (2.2).

Miller and John Szponar, a 6-3 guard, were co-captains of the team as juniors last season. Szponar, the team's floor leader, was injured in the fifth game and Bolyard, a sophomore, took over playmaking responsibilities for the remainder of the season as the Green Wave finished with an 8-18 record.

Coming over from Loyola are 6-7 Ernie Losch (20.7) and 6-4 forward John Kardzionak (19.6), two proven major college performers who will be of immediate help. Each has one season of eligibility remaining.

Longo has also recruited Mel Renfroe, a 6-3 guard who averaged 20.5 points from Nebraska Western Junior College.

Up from the freshman team that set a new record for victories in a season are 6-1 guard Tony Beaulieu (24.4), 6-8 center Tim LaHann (17.3), 6-5 forward Bob Uly (13.7), 6-9 forward Luther Strange (9.4) and 6-5 forward Steve Stanley (9.1).

CENTENARY

Centenary is starting to build a major college basketball powerhouse that may shortly rival the likes of Jacksonville and Oral Roberts, who came from obscurity to national prominence.

All five end-of-the-season starters are back. There's an outstanding junior college recruit and several standouts from a great freshman team. And there are three excellent incoming freshman prospects, including one of the most sought-after players in the country.

Starters back include Larry Davis, a 6-3 senior forward who led the Gents in virtually every category last year. He averaged 20.5 points and 8.2 rebounds, hitting 54 percent of his field attempts. Other front liners are 6-5 John Hickerson, who averaged 14 points and 6-7 James "Skeeter" Horne, who shot for an 11.4 average, while corraling 7.9 rebounds per game.

Centenary's backcourt combo of Melvin Russell (8.0) and Milton "Roadrunner" Horne (8.3). The two also combined for almost 200 assists.

Among last year's freshmen, most interest centers around 6-5 Leon Johnson, who averaged 26.7 points and 15.8 rebounds per game. Other frosh vying for varsity spots include forwards Jerry Waugh (17.6), and Rick Jacobs (17.5) plus playmaking guards Stan Welker (15.7), Fred Niebrugge (11.6) and Dale Kinkelaar (9.7).

The man everyone is waiting for is Robert Parish, the 7-footer, who was everybody's prep All-American. Parish has been compared favorably to the greatest college players of the last decade and is expected to bring new dimension to Centenary basketball. He can do it all!

With Parish as a nucleus, Centenary's basketball program is on its way. They should be a common name among fans by the end of the year.

GEORGIA TECH

Georgia Tech, which only two years ago finished as the runner-up in the National Invitation Basketball Tournament, did a complete turnabout for the worse in 1971-72, ending with a dismal 6-20 mark.

Needless to say, it was one of the longest seasons in coach Whack Hyder's career. In Hyder's 21 previous years at Tech, his record is 285-253 and includes two NIT appearances. He also developed two All-Americans, Roger Kaiser and Rich Yunkus.

Hyder bases his reserved optimism for 1972-73 on last year's exceptional 15-3 freshman squad and eight returning varsity lettermen.

Two fulltime starters—forward Steve Post (15.2) and Bob "Peanut" Murphy are back along with 6-7, 240-pound Karl Binns (8.8) who started most games at center.

Post and Murphy figure to be pretty secure in their positions but Binns will face a stern fight from 6-1 sophomore Preston Campbell (9.3) and 6-10 freshman Jeff Collier.

The guard spots are expected to be manned by a pair of sophomores, 6-2 Steve Sherbak (17.2) and 6-2½ Brent Green (14.6).

Rounding out the squad are Harry Allen, Phil Boshard, Mike Bottorff, Bruce Brown, Bob Davis, Terry Farrell, Tom Hyder, Dave Lockin, Andy McCain, George Small and Steve Sonnenberg.

Georgia Tech is on the way back, but they're still a long way from the glory days of the past couple of years. A post season berth doesn't appear to be on the horizon.

VIRGINIA TECH

Virginia Tech graduated five seniors, three of them three-year starters. Still, with 6-7 superstar Allan Bristow returning and with a good recruiting season, Gobbler's coach Don DeVoe is optimistic about matching last year's 16-10 record.

Bristow, a left-handed shooter, averaged 25 points a game last year, along with 13.4 rebounds. During his two year career, Bristow has scored 1,160 points and a 22.7 average. Last season, Bristow was in double figures in every game, including a high of 39 points.

Joining Bristow at forward will be Ed Frazier, a 6-4 junior, who scored at a 7.3 game pace last season. The center is expected to be Craig Lieder, who is only 6-5. He averaged 6 points and five rebounds. Another possibility for the job is 6-6½ freshman, Larry Deakins from Terre Haute, Ind.

The backup help at the forwards will come from 6-6 sophomore Geof Wiggins (16.3), or 6-7½ freshman Mike Collins from Brownsville, Pa.

In the backcourt, where Tech graduated Bill McNeer and Randy Minix, the Gobblers will have 5-11 Bobby Stevens and 6-3 Charlie Thomas, who played a big part in Carrying Ferrum Junior College to the national championship finals.

For depth at guard, DeVoe has potential in sophomores Mark Hatcher, 6-1, Gene Fornash, 6-2, and 6-2 freshman Dave from Cincinnati.

"The freshman rule comes at a good time for us," DeVoe admits, "because we need immediate help and we feel that any of this year's recruits have the capabilities of stepping into the starting lineup."

Tech upgraded its schedule last season and had trouble with the good, strong teams. There are toughies again like Florida State, St. Bonaventure, Ohio State, Northern Illinois, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia and Eastern Kentucky on the Tech agenda.

GEORGIA SOUTHERN

Looking towards its second year of NCAA University Division competition, the Georgia Southern Eagles will be stronger personnel wise than a year ago. However, an exceptionally tough schedule will make it difficult to top the 1971-72 record of 17-9.

Listed on this season's schedule are national powers Jacksonville, Florida State, North Carolina State, South Carolina, Louisiana Tech, Roanoke (1972 NCAA Small College national champion), and Virginia Tech as well as a host of other solid opponents.

Three returning starters, two part-time starters, and two top junior college transfers will give the Eagles a solid team that likes to run.

Johnny Mills, a 6-5 junior forward, who averages 24.3 points a game, including a high of 37 against Old Dominion, heads up the cast of returnees. He'll likely start beside 6-4 junior Ronnie Arnold, who averaged 5.5 points.

At center it will be Richard Johnson, a 6-8 senior. Johnson, saw part-time action, averaging 3.9 points and 5.0 rebounds. Another possibility is 6-9 freshman Bob Crouch of Griffin, Ga. Dave Burt, a 6-5 junior college transfer will also be given a strong shot to win one of the jobs up front.

Perry Warbington, a 6-2 guard from Lake City (Fla.) Junior College is expected to start at guard along with Rich Wallace, a 6-3 junior, who averaged 21.4 points per game. Between Wallace and Mills, the two accounted for nearly 1,200 points. Mike Pitt, a 5-11 guard will return as a senior to give the Eagles additional backup help.

OLD DOMINION

Old Dominion lost only two starters from last year's squad, which compiled a 14-10 mark, but one of those was Dave Twardzik, a 6-1 guard who averaged 23.4 points a game and was named as a first team Small College All-American. The other loss was Terry Foster, a 6-7 forward.

Coach Sonny Allen, who has a seven year record of 117-72, will build his 1972-73 club around a pair of junior forwards, 6-6 Joel Copeland, who averaged 16.5 points and 11.4 points a game, and 6-4 Rick Michaelsen, who hit for 12.8 points and hauled in 5.3 rebounds.

Back at center is 6-10, 225-pound Jay Rountree, who averaged 9.4 points and 7.5 rebounds.

Rich Nau, a 5-9 senior (11.3) and Jack Baker, a 6-1 senior (6.1) are returnees at guard but they'll be pressed by new prospects, sophomores Oliver Purnell and Gray Eubank.

Rounding out the squad will be letterman Leo Hardy and newcomers Tom Kelling, Tom Street, Mark Flint, Jim Miller, Wendell Kristofak, Charlie Harrington and Ray Megginson.

The Monarchs, who play their home games in the new 10,400-seat Norfolk Scope Coliseum, are also trying to upgrade their schedule to a major level. Among the teams on this season's itinerary are Delaware, Dayton, Xavier, VMI and East Carolina.

SOUTH ALABAMA

With the top six players lost via graduation, South Alabama's second year of major college play might prove rather disheartening.

The Jaguars, who were 8-17 last year, with wins over Oklahoma and Arizona, face a murderous schedule which includes Florida State, Missouri, Auburn, the Sugar Bowl Tournament and two games with Jacksonville.

Coach Jim Taylor is counting on help from 6-9 Allen Pearl, the leading scorer among the returnees with a 4.3 average. Aid is expected from the junior college ranks in the person of Leon Williams, 6-8, 220-pounder from Brevard (Fla.) where he averaged 17 points and 17 rebounds a game. Other Brevard alumni who are gunning for jobs are 6-6 Darius Segure and Eugen Oliver. Dane Bolden, a 6-7 transfer from Chipola J.C. (Fla.) and his teammate Cliff McKay, are other possibilities.

The other vets back are Ted Neuman and Kevin O'Brien, while Jack Chapman and Gary Ledbetter are up from the frosh.

In addition, Taylor signed prep players—Luke Wrenn, Lester Lewis and Bob Pearson.

To make matters even worse, a close look at the schedule reveals that only 10 of the 25 games are at home.

STETSON

After winning 41 games and appearing in post season NCAA college division tournament play the previous two years, Stetson moved into the University Division competition in 1971-72. The team finished 6-20, only the second time in 20 years there has been a losing season.

Five lettermen return—Barry Faith, Lou Williams, Anthony Hill, Leslie Yother and Cliff White—but Faith is the only one with double figure statistics—10.1.

The schedule is no picnic either with Florida State, Jacksonville, South Carolina, Clemson, Georgia Tech, Marshall, Oklahoma, Western Kentucky and Tulane among the opponents.

Hopes for a winning season rest primarily on two high recruited Juco players, a transfer guard and three standouts from last year's frosh team.

The J.C. players—6-6 John Haslem and 6-1 Leroy Wilson, were outstanding at Miami Dade North. The transfer—6-1 Denton Jones from Tennessee—will not become eligible until January, but his arrival is eagerly being awaited.

The sophomores—6-0 J.C. Bridges, 6-7 Billy Williams and 6-6½ Bill Seitz—could be as fine a trio of young players as the Hattershave ever enjoyed.

Southern Small Schools
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son's records in Indianapolis. The 6-5 Whitley formerly attended Drake. Lou Linder, a 6-3 freshman, will be groomed to take over Stafford's spot.

ALBANY STATE

Last year, 6-9 Major Jones of Tiller, Ark., was considered the premier prep player in the nation. His decision to attend Albany State and follow in the footsteps of four other brothers will put the small Georgia school on the basketball map.

Jones has been called by some, "A Black Bill Walton" while one professional scout who saw him perform said that the super frosh "could play in the NBA right now."

He will join with his brother, 7-2 Caldwell, a senior, to give Albany a potent scoring and rebounding attack. Caldwell averaged 26.2 points and 17 rebounds for coach Bob Rainey's team, which finished 22-6, losing in the NAIA District championship game.

In addition to the Jones boys (brother Oliver is an assistant coach), also back are Bob Aaron (12.9), Rufus Williams (9.9) and sophomore Bob Rhodes (4.6).

Promoters in New York, Chicago and other major cities would do well to try to get Albany State to visit their city over the next couple of years. Major Jones will be well worth the show.

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA

Northeast Louisiana, which has enjoyed 11 consecutive winning seasons under Lenny Fant, may have to scratch to do it again with only three regulars back and a rugged schedule which includes Bradley, Mississippi, Wichita State, West Texas State and a Holiday Tournament with Mississippi State, North Texas State and East Carolina.

Returning starters are 6-5 Jesse Burnette, who averaged 15 points and 11.9 rebounds, 6-3 Bob Carson (11.0) and 6-5 Doug Farrell (5.4). The latter faces a fight for his job from sophomore 6-7 Mike Rose and 6-6 Gralin Davis. Redshirt Jerry Jingles figures to be the other guard.

WINSTON-SALEM STATE

For Winston-Salem State basketball coach, C.E. "Big House" Gaines, the 1972-73 season will be a monumental one. Some time during the campaign Gaines will win his 500th game, a milestone reached by one five other coaches in college basketball history—Adolph Rupp of Kentucky, Hank Iba of Oklahoma State, Paul Hinkle of Butler, John McLendon of Tennessee State and John Wooden of UCLA. His current record is 492-209.

Achieving the mark should be no problem. The Rams have everyone back and will acquire some help from sophomores and incoming freshmen.

The top players are 6-3 Sandy Smith (17.1), who many say is cut from the Earl Monroe mould, and 6-7 Earl Williams (13.2 points and 17.4 rebounds). Other standouts are Harold Kitt (17.8), Ralph Jones (14.7), Art Chavious (10.6) and Bobby Garner (10.4).

HOWARD

With four of five starters back from a team which finished second in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, the Howard Bisons are optimistic about the upcoming season.

Coach Marshall Emery's team was 18-9 overall and 10-5 in the conference. Back are Bob Lewis (18.2 points and 9.9 rebounds), 6-1½ Warren Hollins (17.0), 6-6 Levi Williams (13.0 points and 11.7 rebounds) and 5-11 Arnie Young (9.2).

Other returnees who will battle for the remaining jobs are Shirl White, Henry Rhodes, Paul Newton, Michael Farley, Gary Frazier,

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TOWSON STATE

Coach Vince Angott can only be enthusiastic about the upcoming season at Towson State. He lost only two players from last year's 15-10 squad which earned an NCAA College Division bid. The Tigers were defeated by Roanoke, the eventual champion, 72-61.

Gone is Mel Land, the leading scorer, but after him, there's a whole cast of returnees led by 6-4 Larry Witherspoon (12.3). Joey Jay and Ray Manley, both 6-4 will battle for the other corner spot while 6-7 Walt Myers will be the center.

Steve Feldman and Chuckie Blue will direct the Tigers' attack from their guard position with former JC star, Les Walker, who also spent four years in the Army, in reserve.

ALABAMA STATE

Four of five starters are back for Alabama State, which made it to the NCAA College Division Regionals last year and compiled a 22-3 mark. Gone is 7-1 Gregg Northington and his 27.8 points and 17.2 rebounds.

The returnees include 6-1 Aubrey Curry (21.9) and his back court mate 6-3 Johnny Smith (10.6), 7-1 center Larry Lilly (14.3 points and 13.8 rebounds) and 6-6 forward Harvey Jones (13.1 points and 13.7 rebounds).

Top reserves include 6-3 sixth man Larry Jackson (10.0) and Andrew Thomas, a 6-11 center. New recruits include JC transfer Mikul Leonard and 6-6 freshman guard Jimmy Cooper.

BELMONT ABBEY

Belmont Abbey returns its 13-13 team virtually intact, giving every indication that the upcoming season will be an outstanding one.

Included among the returnees are three players who averaged in double figures—6-5 Carl Bell (18.6 points and 10.5 rebounds), 6-3 Jim McDede (14.9) and 6-3 Larry Cone (11.2).

Back court standout 5-7 Mike Hawkins (7.1) is also back as are George Halmon, Gary Silver, Warren Jeffords, John Hill, Roy Jackson and incoming frosh Curtis Carter.

ELON

Three starters are back for Elon but the team will be missing the play of two-time MAIA All-American guard Tommy Cole and three-year starter Rob Hicklin.

Back are 6-9 center Larry Trautwein, a two-time district 26 choice. He averaged 16.8 points and 13.9 rebounds as a junior. Clarence Ross (13 points and 12 rebounds) will team with 6-5 Bob Pavlovski up front.

Elbert Outlaw (7.8) returns in the back court while Cole's spot will be taken over by 6-1 Wayne Ellington a junior college transfer.

Coach Bill Miller will be seeking his third consecutive Carolinas Conference championship.

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA

The return of an experienced front line and the addition of some transfers bring a ray of hope into the basketball prospects for Southeastern Louisiana.

Coach E.W. Foy returns his front line starters of 6-8 Freddie Lucas at center and 6-7 Harold Wilson ant 6-6 Charlie Jones at forwards.

Also back is 6-2 John Shirley, a starter the last half of the season, while Juco guard Wilbert Bear and Willie Brown and 5-8 Mike Krajcer from Loyola, which dropped basketball, are expected to give the Lions a strong nucleus and improve on the 9-15 mark of 1971-72.

DELTA STATE

Bob Vanatta, who was General Manager of the Memphis team in the American Basketball Association, is the new coach of Delta State, defending Gulf South Conference champions.

The Statesmen lost three starters, including both guards. Seniors 6-7 Tevora Griffin (13.4 points and 11 rebounds) and 6-8 Walter Scrubbs (9.1 & 8.1) give Delta State strong rebounding. Another senior, Derek Hunter (6-6) is back as the Statesmen attempt to return to the NCAA tournament. Best of the newcomers are JC transfer 6-2 guard Hank Drew and frosh Dave Nix, Dean Hancock and Dave Cresap.

ERSKINE

The addition of two rebounding junior college transfers give Erskine a shot at an NAIA district championship this year.

Erwin Latimer, 6-7, and Al Gilchrist, 6-4, provide Erskine up front power that was missing in 1971-72 when the club was 16-13.

Returnees include the top scorers, 6-2 Dave Hauird (19.8) and 6-2 Bobby Collins (14.3). Also 6-4 Willie Rawl (7.9), a sophomore with outstanding potential.

LOUISIANA COLLEGE

Louisiana College hopes to improve on its 12-15 record of last season with the presence of two top scorers and several promising incoming freshmen.

Heading the list of returnees are Steve Cooley (12.9) and Marv Reno (12.6). Cooley shot an impressive .506 from the floor.

The four frosh are Andy Ashworth, Doug Wendling, Steve Stewart and 6-10, 235-pound Dale Meier.

MILLSAPS

Millsaps heads into the 1972-73 season minus Billy Joe Hudson and Bill Beckman, last year's top scorers and rebounders.

Leader among the returnees in Brooklyn native Vince Lynch (12.2). Two others finished in double figures 6-4 Ken Hagan (12.0) and 5-11 Billy McWilliams (10.0).

The other three who should see plenty of action for the Majors, who were 12-11, are 6-6 Rodney Duck, 5-11 Mark Sorgenfrei and 6-4 Scott Varnado.

JOHNSON C. SMITH

All five starters are back at Johnson C. Smith where coach Joe Alston has his sights set on a run at the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship.

The quintet, which produced a 14-13 mark last season are 5-11 Willie Joplin (18.0), 6-3 Cecil Bradshaw (14.5), 6-7 George Cooper (12.5 points and 11.2 rebounds), 5-9 Steve Joyner (10.4) and 6-3 Johnny Jackson (10.1).

There's depth, too, with 6-8 James Sanders (8.6 points and 8.8 rebounds), 6-5 Frederick Steward (6.5) and diminuative 5-8 Eric Polite.

CLAFLIN

Bill Senior will build Claflin's Fighting Panthers (9-15 last year) around his now experienced sophomores and juniors including Joe Canty (20.2), Franklin Scott (19.0), Otto Rosendary (13.5) and Clinton Green (10.4).

With 10 lettermen returning Claflin figures to make a good run at a winning season. Other top players are Al White, Ken Hutchinson and Herbert Brown.

MORGAN STATE

The prospect of an outstanding season at Morgan State is envisioned with the return of the nucleus of last year's 16-10 mark.

Up front the Bears will have 6-11 Marvin Webster (13.1 points and 16.1 rebounds), 6-6 Phil Pugh (10.0 & 12.1) and 6-7 Purnell McNeill (5.1 & 6.2), with Tyrone Pryor, a 6-7 transfer from Hutchinson (Kan.) Junior College, another possibility.

The veteran guards are 6-3 Chet Davis (15.8) and 5-10 Ron Moss (9.1). They'll be backed up by Doug Torian, Jesse Lane, Pat Edwards and frosh Billy Newton, LaMont Clark and Tony Blount.

LSU (NEW ORLEANS)

Coach Ron Greene (6-17 at LSUNO in three years) is rebuilding his club with a combination of six juco transfers, five freshmen and nine returnees.

The club reached the finals of the NCAA South Regional in 1971-72, falling to Tennessee State in the championship. Returning from that team are 5-11 Mel Henderson (19.3 points and 10.5 rebounds), 5-11 Terry Gill (11.7)—two of the top three guards—along with 6-4 Milton Cooper (7.4), 6-9 Gary Hyatt (6.8 points and 10.4 rebounds), Leon Waller, Alan Kennedy, Rod Cook, Mike Lane and Steve Brisco.

Best of the transfers are 6-3 Fred Hoffert (30.6 points and 17.4 rebounds at Grand Rapids (Mich.) J.C.), 6-2 Rubin Britt (22.4 points and 10 rebounds) at Sequouias (Cal. J.C.), and 6-5 Willie Robinson (21 points & 16 rebounds at Florida J.C.).

BELLARMINE

Eight lettermen are back for Bellarmine as the Knights hope to improve on their 9-16 record.

Returning will be Bobby Todd (16.4), George Duncan (15.6), Obie Durry (5.4), Ed Wallace (7.0), Al Hunter (5.7), Rick Potter

(4.0), Mike Hellmueller (3.6) and Hugh Wright (3.7).

Expected to lend help are newcomers Derek Doward, John Eppensteiner, Jim Hall, Pete Schubeler, Floyd Smith and Gary Byrd. Mark Mason (12.6) rounds out the starting lineup.

Junior Johnson, Bill Hughes, Paul Kopp and frosh Dave Mills, Harold Hicks, Tommy Erwin and Pete Billingsley fill the roster.

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FROSTBURG STATE

With the addition of junior college transfer, 6-5 Mike McGowan, the prospects are bright for Frostburg State improving on last season's 13-8 mark.

Returning are 6-6 Bob Maddox, 6-3 Fred Swick, 5-10 Dana Cunningham, 6-4 Ray Pietras, 6-0 George Reading, 6-3 Kelvin Blackstone, 6-3 Nat Covington, 5-10 Jim Riggleman, and 6-1 Bob Ridder.

The club is coached by Kurt Wolfe.

LeMOYNE-OWEN

Led by Charlie Edge, a 6-6 sernior who was a member of the U.S. Olympic Development Camp, LeMoyne-Owen figures to be the power of the Volunteer State Athletic Conference this season.

Edge averaged 22.8 points and 23 rebounds a game last year. Along with him, the rest of the Magicians, who averaged 90.7 points a game, are back.

Also hitting in double figures were 6-6 Bill Carter (16.5 points and 11 rebounds), 6-3 Felix Hurth (14.5), and 6-2 Terry Gray (15.1). Edgar McGraw and Jim Burbridge also saw lots of action, averaging 8.4 and 9.0 points, respectively. McGraw also grabbed 11 rebounds a game.

NORTH CAROLINA A&T

North Carolina A&T, the defending champions in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, will make basketball history this year when, along with Grambling, they become the first black schools to participate in the prestigious Madison Square Garden Holiday Festival Tournament.

The Aggies will also have a new coach, Warren Reynolds, who takes over for 400-game winner Cal Irvin.

Leading the Aggies will be their back court duo of 6-2 June Harris (15.1) and 5-11 James Outlaw (21.4).

The front court will be rebuilt with the loss of NAIA All-American Elmer Austin and center Walter Anderson.

Battling for the jobs are Allen Spruill, Bobby Goodwin, Lloyd Glover, Milt Nunnally, Johnny Seawright and frosh Ron Johnson, Vince Butler and Dexter Boone.

A&T, which has big time aspirations, has also added Pitt and Marshall to its regular season schedule.

CARSON-NEWMAN

Carson-Newman, with the nation's smallest college player (5-2 Steve Williams) will be a contender for the NAIA District 24 championship this year.

Williams, the ball-handling ace of the club averaged 6.1 points a game last year.

Big man for Carson-Newman is 6-6 Mike Ogan, who hit 22.2 points and grabbed 11.3 rebounds. He'll be joined up front by 6-7 Jimmie McGowan and 6-4 Jay Cuny (9.1).

XAVIER (LA.)

Xavier should field an all-around better team than the one which was 22-5 a year ago. The Gold Rush are deeper, more experienced and talented because coach Bob Hopkins (former small college scoring champion) gambled on underclassmen.

From the team that won the NAIA District 30 crown, Xavier loses only one starter. Two honorable mention All-Americans will lead the way. Bruce Seals, a freshman last year, led the Gold Rush in scoring (18.7) and rebounding (13.2). Don Watts (16.8) was the playmaker.

The other starters will be 6-1 Greg Berniard, 6-8 Dan Jackson and 6-4 Jim Williams.

KENTUCKY WESLEYAN

Kentucky Wesleyan, a long time small college basketball power, will have a new coach —Bob Jones—this season.

Jones will have eight lettermen back, including top scorer Mike Williams, and top rebounder Jim Greene from the team that compiled at 17-10 mark and earned an NCAA post season tournament bid.

Williams averaged 22.9 points a game while the 6-9 Greene, a defensive intimidator, hit for 14.3 points and collected 15.4 rebounds a game.

NORTHWESTERN LOUISIANA

Northwestern Louisiana will come out firing this season with its back court duo of Vernon Wilson and Greg Procell.

Wilson averaged better than 20 points a game last year for the Demons while Procell, who scored an amazing 6,000 points as a high school player, has just completed two outstanding seasons at Panola (Tex.) Junior College.

Top candidates at forward include returning starter, Perry Ball, Errick Hunt and newcomer Steve Budde (6-8). Rugged John Hill (6-6) returns at center.

WEST VIRGINIA

Glenville State College broke Fairmont's and Morris Harvey's domination in the WVIAC last March by winning the right to represent the Conference in the NAIA tournament.

Coach Jesse Lilly lost a pair of reserves, who alternated, Dale Tawney and Jim Ledbetter. Back will be Steve Datcher, James Garnett, Earl Hawkins and Ronald Jones. Good javees are coming along and Coach Lilly has recruited sound prospects including George Denham, 6-5 brother of Wayne Denham who once starred with Fairmont State.

Fairmont will be right up there with regulars Bill Lindsey, Lerman Battle, Brad Butcher, Art Haswell returning. Ted Echols was the only one on the first 10 graduating. Coach Joe Retton has 231 won, 39 loss record in his nine years at Fairmont.

points a game. Niehl, an outstanding high junper who goes in at 7-0, and Griffin are both 6-6.

The freshman team may also supply some help. The best of the group are guard Dave Wood (12.6) and Ed Jackson, a 6-3 leaper (9.2).

Raveling's first group of recruits included Bran Greenberg of New York, Sammy Miller (Calvin Murphy's brother) of Connecticut and Edgar Jeffries of Ohio. They are hardly in the Tom McMillan, Tom Roy, Owen Brown and Len Elmore—all of Maryland—category.

WASHINGTON

Washington's coach Marv Harshman will have a youthful look to his club this season following the loss of the top two scorers, in cluding All-American Steve Hawes.

Back are guard Louie Nelson and forward Reggie Ball. After them, a corps of young, but somewhat inexperienced forwards appear to be the basis for hope.

Ball, a 6-7 senior, averaged 9.2 points and 6.5 rebounds last season and has the potential to be one of the top front court players in the PAC-8.

The other forward spot will go to either 6-7 Jeff Hawes (3.9) or 6-7 Ray Price (9.1), both juniors.

At center, it will be 7-0 sophomore Frank Dehn, who was redshirted last season. Another possibility is 6-10½ Lars Hansen, who was the top prep star in British Columbia last year.

Further up front help will be provided the Gene Broom, John Quigg and Curt Stokes, the latter the leading rebounder on the frosh (13.1).

Nelson, the third leading scorer on the varsity, with a 15.1 average, will likely be joined in the back court by 6-2 sophomore Donnie Aaron (20.9 with the frosh). Aaron is recovering from a sore hip, which hampered his play much of last season.

Harshman also recruited an outstanding freshman guard, 6-3 John McKnight, a prep

Sophomore Ken Kincheloe, who averaged 11.3 points a game for the frosh will start in the back court along with 6-5 Ron Lee a prep All-American from Lexington, Mass. Lee's brother, Russell, was an All-American at Marshall and the No. 1 draft choice of the Milwaukee Bucks. He averaged 22.4 points a game and his prep team was 91-3 during his four years there.

Harter is building the foundation for the future, just as he did at Penn. Oregon fans will have to be patient.

WASHINGTON STATE

George Raveling, the "super" recruiter will get a chance to prove how really good he is, now that he has taken over as head coach at Washington State.

At Maryland, Raveling helped build the Terrapins into a national power. It won't be that easy in Pullman, Wash., which isn't exactly the center of the universe.

Still Raveling is a good, solid coach and he has surrounded himself with two outstanding assistants in Steve Cottrell and John Heft, formerly at Old-Dominion and Bowling Green.

This season can be just about written off, due to the late start in recruiting and the fact that State has very little returning from a team which was 11-15 overall and 3-11 in the Conference.

Two starters are back in forward-center Mike Dolven and guard Pat Rogers. Bob Niehl, a junior, and Morris Griffin, a senior, shared one forward spot last year. Dolven, 6-9 is better in the corner but may have to play center out of necessity. He averaged 12.2

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Then add in 6-7 Stan Slight, 6-7 Dale Carmichael and 6-6 Gary Pozar, and the nucleus is there—even though they are frosh—for a good club.

Also back is 6-3 sophomore Henry Ray, who averaged 19.7 points for the varsity last year, second best on the team. Ray has a spot won in the starting lineup.

Along with the super frosh, McNeese will build its team around returning lettermen Dave Wallace (12.5), Curtis St. Mary (9.9), Bertel Reder (6.9), 6-9 Gene Bodden (5.6) and Bill O'Brien (3.5).

McNeese should improve on its 1971-72 record of 13-12.

LAMAR STATE

Jack Martin, the winningest active college coach in Texas, is not used to losing, so it's no wonder last year's 12-14 record proved quite disturbing.

The top three scorers of that team are back, led by 6-5 Mike Hughes, who has been a starter since he was a sophomore. Last year, Hughes averaged 15.0 points a game.

Also returning in the back court is 6-0 Lowell Hill, who hit at a 15.2 norm.

Lamar State will feel the graduation pinch up front where only one starter is back—6-3 Trennis Jones, a great leaper, who led the team in scoring with a 15.9 average.

Martin is hopeful that 6-5 Billy Jackson and 6-8 Alfred Nickson can move into the starting lineup.

With the Southland Conference improved since the addition of S.W. Louisiana and Louisiana Tech, Lamar may be finding itself overmatched.

LOUISIANA TECH

Although Louisiana Tech lost three starters from its 23-3 team, there is still one good reason to be optimistic. That reason is Mike Green, a 6-10 senior, who rates as one of the best big men in the nation.

Green, an alternate to the U.S. Olympic team, averaged 24.0 points and 15.9 rebounds a game last year. He is also an outstanding shot blocker and defensive intimidator.

Joining Green up front for coach Scotty Robertson's team will be 6-7 senior forward and returning starter Steve Robertson (no relation), who averaged 7.5 points and 5.6 rebounds a game and 6-7 junior Mike Bossard (5.7 points and 5.6 rebounds).

Tech faces its biggest rebuilding job in the back court where Andy Knowles and Jim Jenkins and their combined 34.5 average are gone.

The battle for the two spots will be among returnee Willie Odom (5.3), sophomore Barney Banks, the leading scorer on the frosh with a 26.3 average, and Bobby Wyatt, who attended Walker Junior College (Ala.) where he averaged 20.1.

Others who are expected to help include Lester Smith and Gary Miller.

ABILENE CHRISTIAN

Basketball will be better at Abilene Christian than it has been since coach Garnie Hatch took over four years ago.

There are more and better people around and depth is present at all positions.

Three starters are back—6-8 Willie Calvert, who plays either high or low post (15.1), 5-9 point guard Dean Bass (9.8) and 6-4 wing Matt Scott (12.5).

Inside, Hatch will have the likes of Calvert 6-9 Dwayne Day, sophomores 6-7 Greg McElvy, 6-8 Dave Teel and 6-8 Mark Hayes and 6-7 Bennie Jones, the latter returning after a stint in the military.

Scott, 6-6 Darrell Hearne and 6-5 Roy Fitts will battle sophs 6-7 Andy Prince (23.0 and 10.7 rebounds), 6-5 Gene Hudson and 6-7½ Alvin Scott for the starting wing spots.

Bass will start at the point and be backed by junior Tommy Thompson and sophomore Stan Lambert.

Abilene Christian, which will move to the NAIA's Lone Star Conference next year, was 17-8 in 1971-72, including a 3-5 mark in the Southland Conference.

ARKANSAS STATE

Arkansas State's basketball fortunes took a nose dive last season after a championship in 1970-71. Coach John Rose put the blame on sour guard play which he hopes to have remedied through junior college acquisitions, sophomore and incoming freshmen.

Don Scaife (19.1) and J.H. Williams (12.0) were the leaders of the freshman club, while freshman Dave Bettis is considered a sure bet for the future.

The transfers who figure to get the starting jobs are Keith McFarland (28.5) and Fred Petway (20.0). Another possibility is Gene Williams (13.0). He will be used as a swingman.

Up front, Steve Brooks and Lonnie Webber are the returning starters. Brooks, 6-9, averaged 16.2 points and 9.4 rebounds, while Webber, also 6-9, hit for 7.7 points and grabbed 6.8 rebounds.

The center will most likely be 6-9 sophomore Gary Scott, who averaged 14.6 points and 7.3 rebounds with the frosh. He'll be backed up by Jay Harbison.

Other players who will see lots of action is 6-5 junior Schuler Rowland (8.3), and frosh Mike Edgar.

TEXAS AT ARLINGTON

Lack of experience will hurt Texas at Arlington in its effort to improve on last year's overall record of 14-12 and 5-3 in the Southland Conference.

Four of the top six scorers are gone, so the club went out and recruited heavily from the Junior College ranks.

Two of those players, guard Ronnie Marsh and forward Larry Jenkins, figure to start. Marsh, who averaged 26 points a game was a Juco All-American at Hill (Tex.), while Jenkins hit at a 26 point norm for Mineral Area (Mo.).

The other new starter will be 6-6 swingman Ricky Hughes, who averaged better than 28 points as a high school senior in Chicago.

The post will be a major problem with returning starter Perry Littleton on 6-6. Littleton averaged 11.2 points and 7.7 rebounds a game as a sophomore.

Rounding out the starting lineup will be 6-8 senior Larry Moore, another returnee, who hit for 10.7 points a contest.

Others who figure to play are Sherman Joseph, Mike Griffin and Harry Dickhaner.

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The other front court spot will go to either junior Jack Wolfe, last year's back-up center, or sophomores Bill Andreas or Steve Wenner. Andreas is a good outside shooter, averaging 12.6 points last year, while Wenner hit at a 16.4 norm.

The Buckeyes figure to make a good run at Minnesota, providing the first unit can keep out of foul trouble.

MICHIGAN

The big question around Ann Arbor is can two superstars play on the court at the same time. If they are able to complement each other, then Michigan could steal the Big 10 championship.

The two "supers" are 6-3 Henry Wilmore, who has wowed the opposition for the past two seasons with his great moves toward the basket. Last year, Wilmore averaged 24 points a game, including a single game high of 38. Two years ago, as a sophomore, he was an All-American.

With the arrival of 6-7 Campy Russell, the most talked about player to come into the Big 10 since Cazzie Russell (no relation), Wilmore will make the move to the backcourt.

Russell, who smashed six freshman records while leading the team to an unbeaten season, is one of the prime sophomores in the nation. As a yearling, he averaged 30.2 points a game, shooting .521 from the floor. A magnificently graceful and fluid player, Russell could play the back court if necessary. He led the Wolverine frosh with 12.6 rebounds a game.

Joining Russell at the other forward will be 6-5 senior, John Lockard, who averaged 13 points and 10 rebounds a game. Ernie Johnson, a 6-8 senior, who hit 12.8 points and averaged 9.2 rebounds a game, will be the top frontcourt reserve. Further help will come from sophomore C.J. Kupec.

Ken Brady, a 6-10 senior, who missed the early part of last season, with injuries suffered in a one-on-one battle with a car, is healthy and should provide the Wolverines with great strength in the middle. Over the last of the campaign, he averaged 10.6 points and 10.8 rebounds a game.

The other starting spot will be filled by 5-10 sophomore guard Joe Johnson, who averaged 19.5 points a game while quarterbacking the unbeaten frosh team.

INDIANA

Coach Bob Knight, who stressed defense and a disciplined offense in guiding Indiana to a 17-8 record and a berth in the NIT in his initial Big Ten season, will be well stocked with both veterans and promising newcomers for the upcoming season.

Seven lettermen, including four starters, return from a team which was 15th nationally on defense and led the Big Ten in free throw percentage and ranked second in field goal accuracy.

Heading the list is 6-8 Steve Downing. A second-team All-Big Ten selection, Downing averaged 17.5 points and 15.1 rebounds per game despite torn cartilage in his knee. Surgery hopefully corrected that problem.

John Ritter, a 6-6 senior, who averaged 14 points a contest, returns at one forward, while the other spot, left vacated by the graduation of standout Joby Wright, will likely be filled by 6-7 sophomore Steve Green, who averaged 24 points and 11 rebounds a game for the frosh.

Front-line subs, Jerry Memering and Kim Pemberton, who played important roles in Indiana's key stretch drive that saw them win nine of their final 11 games, also are back as is junior Steve Heiniger.

Returning in the backcourt are seniors Frank Wilson and Bootsie White. Wilson excells on defense and scored at a 7.4 clip, while White serves as the director of the offense. He recorded 104 assists while hitting for a 6.6 average.

Sophomore John Laskowski, who is 6-5, can swing between forward and guard and will provide additional backup help along with Larry Reed, John Kamstra, John Hunter, Steve Ahlfeld and Doug Allen.

The Hoosiers have two outstanding frosh prospects—6-4 guard Jim Crews and 6-8 Don Noort. Scott May, a 6-7 All-Stater from Ohio is at Indiana, too, playing football. He might decide to give basketball a whirl.

ILLINOIS

Illinois' success this season will depend on what kind of play Coach Harv Schmidt gets at guard.

The Illini, despite the loss of 6-9 Billy Morris, will be tough on the front line. However, it will be the twosome of 6-1 transfer Jeff Dawson and 6-6 sophomore Otho Tucker—the guards—who hold the key to the season.

Dawson, a local product, sat out last season after transferring from Duke, where he was a starter as a sophomore. Tucker averaged 21 points per game on Illinois' all-time winningest freshman team last winter.

Nick Weatherspoon, a 6-6 senior, who led the team in scoring (500 points and a 20.8 average) and rebounding (11.4), is a cinch to move ahead of Govoner Vaughn, who is 10th at 1,001.

At the other forward, it will be two-year letter winner, 6-6 Nick Conner, who averaged 10.5 points and 8.5 rebounds a game.

Morris' spot at center will be taken over by 6-10 senior Jim Decker (3.0 and 1.6). Schmidt is confident he will be able to handle the job inside.

The front line reserves are 6-6 Jed Foster (6.2), Jim Rucks (2.3) and sophomore Rick Schmidt (21 points and 12.1 rebounds).

Two-year letterman 6-2 Larry Cohen (5.8) heads up the guard returnees which also include Garvin Roberson (5.0) and C.J. Schroeder (3.6).

Donn Deputy and Dave Roberts, the starting guards on the frosh team last year, will provide additional help.

The Illini finished 14-10 overall and 6-8 in the Big 10 last season. They should improve on that mark this time around.

MICHIGAN STATE

"We could be a bonafide contender for the Big 10 title," says Michigan State coach Gus Ganakas. "We return virtually all our strength from a fifth place team in 1972 and we anticipate help from last year's freshman team."

There's only one problem the Spartans face—all the teams which finished ahead of them also lost little or nothing.

Spearheading the State attack is Mike Robinson, a 5-11 guard who, as a sophomore last year, led the league in scoring with a 27.2 average. His 24.8 average in the full season placed him 17th nationally. Robinson was named to the All-Big Ten first team.

Gary Ganakas, the 5-5 mighty-mite, (the coach's son) is back at guard, but he'll be pushed for the job by a pair of outstanding sophomores, 6-2 Bill Glover and 6-2 Peter Davis. Glover averaged 21 points a game as a yearling and directed the offense. Davis is a defensive standout.

The big news up front is the arrival of 6-7 Lindsay Hairston on the varsity. A prep All-America, Hairston averaged 30 points and 13.2 rebounds a game for the freshmen. A great leaper, Hairston should have little trouble adjusting to defensing the bigger centers in the league.

Hairston can also go to forward, allowing last year's middle man, 6-7 Bill Kilgore to retain his spot. Kilgore averaged 14.8 points and 11.1 rebounds a game. The other starter figures to be holdover 6-5 Brian Breslin (7.9).

Additional up front help could come from returnees Mike Ridley, Al Smith and football standout, Brad Van Pelt, along with sophomores Tom McGill, Lovelle Rivers and Joe Shackleton.

Tyrone Lewis returns as a backup at guard with Steve Borenstein up from the frosh.

PURDUE

Fred Schaus, who coached West Virginia for five seasons, the Los Angeles Lakers for seven and most recently served as General Manager of the California team, takes over at Purdue, where pressure will be on him to produce a winner.

Miracles don't happen overnight and the Boilermakers don't have the kind of talent which should make them contenders.

There are nine returnees, but one of the graduates was Bob Ford, "Mr. Everything" for the last two seasons. He was the leading scorer and rebounder.

Junior forward 6-6 Frank Kendrick is the leading returning letterman in terms of scoring (11.2) and rebounding (6.3). He'll play the wing along with 6-6 Bruce Rose (4.6).

The two postmen will be 6-11 sophomore John Garrett and 6-10 senior Ken Otto.

Garrett, considered the finest big man in the history of Purdue basketball, averaged 26.9 points and 14.7 rebounds a game for the frosh, despite a leg injury which hampered both his playing time and efficiency. He's deadly from 15-18 feet with a jumper.

Otto is a strong, physical player who is sound fundamentally and rugged close to the basket. He showed vast improvement on the Summer tour taken by the Big 10 to Australia and New Zealand. Otto averaged only 2.6 points and 2.3 rebounds a game last year.

The point guard is returnee, Denny Gamauf, who averaged 10.5 points per game, despite missing six games due to injury.

Other lettermen back are guards Tom Gilbert and Dave Luke and swingman Jovon Price. Willis Price is the best of the forwards up from the freshman team.

IOWA

Iowa's basketball team expects to make a strong comeback this season. The Hawkeyes won the Big Ten championship in 1970 but have struggled through two losing seasons since then.

Coach Dick Schultz, starting his third season, looks forward to the return of his four top scorers from a team that finished 11-13 overall and eighth in the league.

The top returnees are 6-3 guard Rick Williams (19.5), 7-0 center Kevin Kunnert (18.2), 6-7 forward Neil Fegebank (9.5) and 6-9 forward Jim Collins (9.0). All but Fegebank shot better than 50 per cent from the field.

They should comprise four-fifths of the starting lineup and the other spot will probably go to 6-4 Glenn Angelino, a frequent starter the last two seasons.

Iowa will be further bolstered by an outstanding freshman crop which includes 6-8 Mike Gatens, 6-7 Mike Sojourner, 6-5 Cliff Sumpter and 6-11 Stan Petratis. In addition, Candy LaPrince, a top Juco player, has enrolled at Iowa.

The Hawkeyes hope to avoid their close game phobia, which saw them lose eight by a margin of five points or less. Schultz thinks maturity should solve that problem. He's also convinced that defensive lapses will be eliminated.

Iowa's eighth place finish last year was curious in the light of league statistics that showed Kunnert the top rebounder (15.9), Collins the top shooter (56.5 percent), Williams Seventh in scoring and Kunnert tenth. In addition, the Hawkeyes were No. 1 in field goals and No. 2 in free throw accuracy, rebounding and total offense.

WISCONSIN

A lack of quality guards could spell trouble for Wisconsin this season as it attempts to improve on the 13-11 mark overall (6-8 in the Big 10).

Lee Oler and Bob Frasor, backcourt starters for the past two seasons graduated. Coach John Powless hopes to cope with the situation

by moving standout Leon Howard to the backcourt.

Howard, a 6-5 senior, led the Badgers with a 16.4 scoring average and is a good shooter from the outside. Gary Anderson, a 6-4 junior, who can also swing, and Lamont Weaver, a 6-1 junior, might go in the backcourt if the Howard move doesn't work out.

Kim and Kerry Hughes, a pair of 6-11 twins, give Wisconsin awesome size up front and somewhere along the way, room has to be found for 6-8 sophomore Kessem Grims, who averaged 23.9 points and 18 rebounds a game for the freshmen.

As a sophomore, Kim Hughes averaged 11.7 points and 10 rebounds a game, while brother Kerry hit 7.1 points and averaged five rebounds a contest.

Additional up front help will come from 6-6 junior Steve Wilhelm (0.9) and 6-7 Pat Rohan (0.8) along with sophomore 6-5 Larry McCoy (19.5) and 6-5 Rick Piacenza (8.7).

Four sophomores, 6-3 Bruce McCauley (19.4), 6-3 Tim Paterick (17.2), 6-2 Dave Tarrant (6.9) and 6-3 Bob Luchsinger (5.9) will also be given a shot at the vacated guard spots.

Sixty-seven per cent of last year's point total returns and 79 per cent of the rebound total is back, but it will all be a problem of putting together leadership at guard.

NORTHWESTERN

Northwestern's foremost objective will be to vacate the Big Ten basement where it has finished the past two years. Doing the job will require the Wildcats to show stronger rebounding, better scoring and the ability to win the close games.

The scoring part could easily be solved by the presence of Kris Beryman, a junior college transfer by way of the University of Illinois. Beryman is considered the best player to come out of Chicago since Cazzie Russell and has all the makings of a superstar.

There will be plenty of strength at the forwards what with Beryman and holdovers 6-7 Greg Wells (6.2) and Bryan Ashbaugh (6.3). Sophomore Jim Wallace, who averaged 17 points and 12 rebounds a game last year, will be given the first shot at the center job. He's a defensive specialist, too.

Rick Sund, a 6-4 senior, has been a starting forward for two years, but coach Brad Snyder plans to switch him to guard. Sund averaged 10.4 points a game and is a steady ballhandler.

He'll join senior Mark Sibley, last season's leading scorer with a 14 point norm. Junior Kevin Kachan will join sophomore John Brodnan and freshman Tim Teasley as the top reserves in the backcourt.

Brodnan led the freshmen in scoring (23.3) and is a good outside shooter. Teasley is a two-time All-Stater from Michigan, where he averaged 28 points a game as a senior.

Northwestern faces a tough fight to get out of the cellar. Much will depend on how far Beryman can carry them.

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Three starters are gone including Earnest Pettis, the runner-up in the conference scoring race (22.8) and forward Chuck Martin (17.7).

Top returnes are second team All-MAC center Mike Steele, 6-5, and forward Charlie Sidwell, 6-4. They had scoring marks of 15.0 and 10.0 as sophomores and captured 8.6 and 6.4 rebounds respectively.

Another junior, 6-4 Bob Sentz, who was a top reserve last year, averaging 5.2, will move into the starting lineup. The other two spots will most likely be filled by 6-4 Stan Dixon (1.4) and 6-5 Pete Hanold (2.0).

Additional help up front will be provided by sophomores 6-7 Chuck Milliner, 6-6 Don Brown, 6-6 Frank Ayers and 6-9 frosh Paul Griffin. The other starters on the 10-4 freshman were 6-3 guard Scott Penhorwood and Steve Rhodin.

BOWLING GREEN

Although there were no seniors on last year's Bowling Green team, the Falcons could start as many as four sophomores this time around in an effort to improve on a 4-20 mark.

Coach Pat Haley has 6-6 Le Henson (9.5), 6-7 Brian Scanlan (13.9), 6-5 Bob Hotaling (6.8), and 6-4 Jack Wissman (4.1) back from last year's starting lineup along with lettermen Tom Babik, Dalynn Badenhop, Jeff Boom, Jim Knidle, Jeff Lossig, Al Phillips, Al Russ and Tom Scott.

Of the entire bunch, only Scanlan, who led the Falcons in virtually every category, figures to start.

Up from an outstanding freshman team (10-4) are 6-10 Bill Howard, who averaged 16.0 points and 16.0 rebounds a game, 6-8 Cornelius Cash (17.5 & 14.2), 6-0 Jeff Montgomery (21.5), 5-11 Dick Selgo (13.6) and 6-4 defensive specialist Ron Weber (12.7).

KENT STATE

With only two starters back from last year's 7-17 team, prospects for Kent State in 1972-73 are none too bright.

Coach Frank Truitt, in desperate need of big men, went out and recruited a couple of Junior College transfers whom he hopes will fill the bill. He corralled 6-8 Cal Murphy from Community (N.Y.) and 6-7 Larry Bach (Northwest Community (Wyo.). Both will likely be in the lineup by the time conference play rolls around.

Initially Truitt will use 6-7 Gary Davenport (1.4) and 6-7 Dwight Kenner (14.7 points and 12.0 rebounds) at the post positions. The lineup will be rounded out by 6-0 Tom Diringer (1.4), 6-1 Rick Gates (19.3 with the frosh) and 6-3 Bob McEvoy (8.7).

Others who will round out the squad are Don Cable, Mike Eifert, Jim Eskridge, Paul Schaeffer, Doug Sheil, Brad Stiner and freshmen Steve Babbey, Dave DeVenzio, Mike Lovenguth, Mike Pitsenbarger and Fred Walker.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN

Central Michigan makes its debut in the Mid American Conference this season and will find out that it will be a step up in competition.

The Chippewas, who have played the likes of Calvin, Ferris and Buffalo State, will find Ohio U., Toledo, Miami and the rest of the teams in the MAC a little tougher.

The club will be led by 6-3 Ben Kelso, who will wind up being the CMU all-time career scoring leader. Last year, he averaged 25.4 points a game.

Other starters back from the 15-11 team of last year are center Chris Young (13.0 ponts and 10.1 rebounds), and forward Mike Funnell, who scored 6.6 points a game, playing half the season. Dan Roundfield, a 6-6 forward, who led the frosh with 19.4 points and 12.6 rebounds, will step into the starting lineup and most likely be joined by Dave McDonald (2.8). Another player who should see lots of action is freshman recruit, Dirk Dunbar, who averaged over 30 points a game as a high school senior.

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There's good depth at guard with both starters—Dave Johnson (10.5) and Dan Murphy (7.9)—returning, backed up by Terry Roberts, Rick White, Lionel Harris (a Miami of Florida transfer) and sophomore Greg Goodman. Ron Hightower, a 6-5 juco transfer and 6-2 freshman Garry Kamstra, will most likely round out the roster.

ILLINOIS STATE

Illinois State has the ingredients to become one of the nation's elite teams in its second season of major basketball under Will Robinson—the famed Detroit prep coach who developed Spencer Haywood, Ralph Simpson, Mel Daniels and Ira Harge, among others.

Robinson has perhaps the nation's finest college guard in 6-6 Doug Collins, who ranked third nationally with a 32.6 scoring average as a junior, and was selected by the U.S. Olympic team.

Collins does everything—shoot, pass, dribble, rebound, play defense—and most important, he can lead. He received the Abe Saperstein Memorial Award as the nation's most outstanding player (beating UCLA's Bill Walton). Collins led the Redbirds in scoring in all but one of their games and had an individual high of 55 against Ball State. He shot 50 per cent from the field.

Illinois State won its last seven games for a 16-10 mark, mostly through the developing talents of 6-11 Ron deVries, 6-9 Stepney Bacon and 6-8 Clarence Weaver, who alternated at the two post spots as sophomores.

DeVries averaged 12.7 points and 11.2 rebounds, Bacon 7.7 points and 7.7 rebounds and Weaver 5.4 points and 5.9 rebounds. Sophomore Cal Harper, a 6-7 muscleman, adds strength to the spot, as does 6-8 Darrell Jeter, who were teammates on Robinson's 1970 Michigan prep champs at Pershing H.S.

A third member of that power-packed Detroit team, Bubbles Hawkins is a freshman at State and will likely play the wing opposite Collins. The 6-3 Hawkins is a two-time Prep All-American who can do it all.

In addition to Collins and Hawkins, back

at guard are two-year playmaking regular Dan Witt, talented sophomores Rick Whitlow and Rick Meeks and freshman passing wizard Mike Bonczyk, who directed his high school team to two straight Illinois prep crowns and a 66-1 mark. Whitlow led the frosh with a 26.7 average.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS

It's going to be difficult to top last year's performance, but the stage is set as far as Northern Illinois basketball coach Tom Jorgensen is concerned.

The reason for his optimism is a fellow named Jim Bradley (6-9), who helped the 1971-72 Huskies compile the finest record in the school's history (21.4) and capture the crown in the now defunct Midwestern Conference.

Bradley averaged 22.9 points, 36th in the country, and grabbed 15.9 rebounds, which placed him fifth.

Then add the return of the NIU back court tandem, 6-2 guards Billy Harris and Larry Jackson, who are regarded by many as the finest combination in the Midwest. Last year, Harris averaged 17.8 points a game, shooting .512 from the floor. Jackson hit for a 13.5 average and .552 from the floor as the Huskies hit an amazing 49 percent of their field goal attempts.

Lost through graduation is forward Jerry Zielinski, who averaged 18.1 points per contest, and center Larry Turner.

Jorgensen indicates he will go to more pressure defenses this time around to utilize the quickness of the replacements.

Bill Newton, a 6-6 sophomore and a tremendous all-around performer, will get the forward job. He was averaging better than 14 points and eight rebounds a game when shelved with a back ailment in mid season.

Junior Bob Patterson, 6-9, who started for the Huskies during the early going in 1971-72, but yielded to Turner, mostly due to inexperience, will be a full-time starter this year. He must be consistent for the club to be a winner.

Dan McDowell, a 6-6 reserve forward last year, and Tim Ryant, a 6-5 sophomore figure to add strength as will 6-6, 205-pound Clarence Patterson.

MARSHALL

New head coach Bob Daniels takes over a Marshall basketball team with four of the top six players returning from last season's 23-4 NCAA squad. One of the losses, however, is All-American Russell Lee, a first round draft pick of the Milwaukee Bucks of the National Basketball Association.

Top returnees, all seniors, are guards Mike D'Antoni and Ty Collins, forward Randy Noll and swingman Bill James.

Two of the nation's finest players, D'Antoni (a likely high draft pick in 1973) and Noll both averaged 16.8 points per game. The 6-8 Noll was the club's top rebounder with 12.6 per game, while D'Antoni, 6-3, accounted for 8.9 assists per contest.

Collins, 6-3, was the Herd's outstanding field goal shooter, hitting .527 and averaging 15.1 points. James, a 6-4 standout, started a number of games and contributed 8.8 points.

Finding a center to replace Lee is Daniels' main worry. The leading candidates for the job are Junior college transfer Wayne Smith, who is 6-8 and sophomore Chuck Jackson, 6-7, who averaged 14.9 points and 13.6 rebounds.

Up front, freshman Bill Mannefeld, 6-6, and JC transfer Eric Bachelor will battle for reserve jobs and will 6-6 Dave Mastropaolo, 16.3 points and 10.3 rebounds on the freshman team.

Daniels came to Marshall from Kentucky Wesleyan, where his teams captured two national college division titles. When last year's coach Cal Stacy left for Wake Forest, he took with him the highly touted 6-11 Danny Moses, who would have been the big man Marshall needed.

LOYOLA (ILL.)

The upcoming edition of Loyola's basketball team promises to be a very exciting one.

Coach George Ireland, who is entering his 22nd year, is justifiably optimistic about the season. Loyola finds itself in the comfortable position of having four seniors and five juniors among the members of the roster, in addition to a sizeable crop of sophomores.

This experience, added to the recent ruling of the NCAA, which makes freshmen eligible for varsity competition, should greatly enhance the Ramblers' attack.

Lost via graduation was 6-11 LeRue Martin, who was taken by the Portland Trailblazers as the very first choice in the National Basketball Association draft. Ireland's biggest problem will be finding a replacement in the middle.

Most likely to man the position is 6-8, 250-pound Paul Cohen, a junior, who averaged 6.5 points and five rebounds a game last season. Another burly player, 6-6, 249-pound Larry Williams, a sophomore, is the other candidate.

Nate Hayes, Cohen and Alan Kendall, all of whom saw extensive action, will battle for the forward spots along with sophomores Bruce Ellberg, Foy Hart, Ken Lee and Lou Lovett.

Hayes, a 6-3 jumping jack, averaged 17.7 points and seven rebounds a game for the Ramblers, while Compobasso hit at a 6.6 average.

The Ramblers will have their problems at guard where none of the four returning veterans—Brian Hayden, Mike Law, Frank Sanders or Garvey Walker—averaged over 3.7 points per game. Up from the frosh to help are John McShea, Bill Durkin and John Foley, along with incoming freshman John Willey.

NOTRE DAME

Notre Dame basketball coach Digger Phelps gained a reputation for building winners which is exactly what did not happen in 1971-72.

Instead, the Irish, beset by a host of injuries and total inexperience, struggled to a 6-20 mark which included a 58-point thrashing by national champion UCLA and a 94-29 loss to Indiana.

It's a new season and the Irish figure to be vastly improved, although it might not show in the final record. Notre Dame faces probably the toughest schedule in the country. It includes a pair of games with UCLA, plus the likes of Michigan, Ohio State, St. Louis, Indiana, Kentucky, Kansas, South Carolina and a host of other cage powers.

Heading the list of returning veterans is junior forward Gary Novak, the leading scorer and rebounder a year ago with 19.5 and 10.3 averages, respectively.

Phelps will also have experience in the form of senior Don Silinski and junior Chris Stevens—both starters at different times during the season. Another regular, senior Willie Townsend, will play football (along with his brother Mike, a guard) and his availability will be uncertain at the outset.

The Irish also lost Tim O'Mara, who decided to leave school last spring. He was the second leading scorer with a 17.0 average.

The four sophomores who figure to challenge strongly for starting positions are guards Gary Brokaw and Dwight Clay, center Pete Crotty and forward John Shumate. Brokaw led the frosh in scoring with a 28.3 average and scored 43 against both Illinois and Michigan State. Clay was next with a 16.3 average while Crotty averaged 14.3. Shumate, a powerful inside player, missed last season because of a blood disorder. With Shumate, 6-9, Crotty 6-8 and Novak 6-7, the Irish will be much stronger on the boards. Brokaw and Clay will likely be the guards.

XAVIER

Xavier's basketball fortunes were turned around last season by coach Dick Campell, who was brought in to put the Muskateers program back on top.

His first club was 12-14, not the winning mark he had hoped for but still more wins than Xavier has had in a single year since the 1966-67 season.

Two starters are back and coming up are an exceptional crop of sophomores, three of whom should provide immediate help.

The squad will be built around 6-11 senior Bob Fullarton, who ran 1-2-3 all last season in field goal shooting percentage and finished with a .654 on 149 of 229. In addition, he averaged 14.8 points and eight rebounds a game.

Also back is Conny Warren, a 6-6 junior, who led the club in rebounding and had a 9.6 average.

This duo will join with 6-10 Jerry Foley and 6-3 Steve Penhorwood, a pair of transfers who sat out last season, along with Pete Accetta, a 6-7 cornerman, who led the frosh in scoring 6-5 Gary Diedrich and 6-1 guard Jim Rippe.

Accetta averaged 18.5 points and 11.0 rebounds, while Diedrich and Rippe averaged 18.2 and 16.4 points, respectively.

Also returning from last year's squad are Tim Deardorff, Jay Eckm, Paul Matsen, Tom Skaleski, Bob Petroski, Scotty Franklin and Tilt Willis.

INDIANA STATE

When a team suffers its first losing season in 12 years, and loses four starters, things shouldn't look too bright.

Yet, Indiana State coach Gordon Stauffer figures that his squad should be considerably better than the 12-14 one on 1971-72.

Reasons for optimism as Indiana State enters its second season as an NCAA University Division basketball competitor are a pair of newcomers who figure to give the Sycamores something they haven't had since 1967 when they finished second in the College Division tourney—height and rebounding.

Rick Darnell, a 6-10½ center from Cypress (Calif.) Junior College, and 6-7 soph Carl Ma-

con are the keys to the upcoming season. Darnell scored 17.5 points per game and averaged 12.8 rebounds. Macon scored only 14.9 points, but snared 14.6 rebounds for the frosh. They will likely be joined on the front line by 6-5 junior Roger Peckinpaugh, who scored at a 10.5 norm.

If Peckinpaugh isn't a starting forward, he's likely to be at guard, sharing the duties along with two sophomores. They are Alvin Armstrong, who scored 18.9 points to lead the freshmen and 5-11 Steve Phillips, who scored 17.1 points and averaged seven assists.

Four returning vets will be frontline reserves—6-7 Don Millington, 6-6 R.T. Green, 6-6 Jim Trout and 6-4 Sherman Lester.

CLEVELAND STATE

Coach Ray Dieringer has reached his goal of building a major basketball schedule at Cleveland State in just three years. The Vikings, who played only one major school in 1969-70, have 15 "majors" on their upcoming car.

The caliber of talent hasn't grown quite as quickly as the prestige of the schedule, but Dieringer thinks he may have coralled enough basketball ability for the club to be competitive.

Back from last year's 8-18 quintet are four starters, three of whom—6-8 Dan Lee, 6-5 John Major and 6-2 Dave Dronzek—are only juniors. That trio, together with 6-6 senior Matt Taylor, ranked as the top four scorers of '71-72 with Lee setting a school single season scoring record of 419 points. Lee averaged 16.1 per game, Taylor 14.0, Major 12.3 and Dronzek, 9.1.

Top men moving up from a well-regarded freshman team are 6-5 Gale Drummer, who averaged 2.3 and 14.1 rebounds, lightning-quick 6-2 Wilbur Starks (16.8), and 6-0 Chuck Spieles (11.0).

In addition, Dieringer picks up 6-5 Pat Lyons, a first-team All-Ohio high school pick who transferred from Dayton last year; 6-2 guard Eddie Trice, a two-year regular who was ineligible last season and 6-1 Ohio U. transfer Ron Andregg, who becomes eligible in January. The top frosh recruit is 6-5 Larry Arthur.

BALL STATE

First year head coach Jim Holstein, who has been at St. Joseph's (Ind.) for the past 11 years, inherits eight lettermen from last year's Ball State team which was 9-15.

Leading returnees are juniors Larry Bullington, a 6-2 guard, and Chris Collins, a 6-7 forward. Bullington averaged 19.3 points per game and ranked fourth in the final NCAA free throw accuracy category with an .882 mark. Collins averaged 14.0 points and 8.3 rebounds a contest.

The leading sophomore is Bob Faulkner, a 6-2 guard, who can play both ends of the floor. Faulkner averaged 27.4 points for the freshman team while hitting .484 from the field and .764 from the charity line. Another promising newcomer is Orren Prunty, a 6-5 product of Schreiner (Tex.) Junior College. Prunty, who plays both guard and forward, averaged 20.5 points and 14 rebounds per contest.

Ball State's major weakness appears to be the lack of experience in players with size. The Cardinal coaching staff recruited 6-10 Dennis Carroll and 6-8 Kim Arnett and Larry Heinbaugh.

The likely Ball State starting lineup will be Collins and either Bob Boyd (5.2) or Prunty at the forwards, Arnett or 6-7 Ike Caudill (1.3) at center and Faulkner and Bullington at the guards.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

Southern Illinois coach Paul Lambert recruited heavily in the junior college over the off-season in an effort to improve the 1971-72 record of 10-16.

In all five JC's were brought in—6-6 Alvin Hendrix (Paducah, Ky.); 6-4 James "Shag" Nixon (Cuyahoga, Ohio); 6-1 Dennis Shilder (Vincennes, Ind.); 6-7 George Thompson (Leicester, Mass.); and 6-5 Leon Wallace (Hillsboro, Tex.).

They will join five returning lettermen and four players from the freshman squad in the battle for the starting assignments.

Almost certain to start is 6-11 sophomore center Joe Meriweather, who led the freshman team in scoring (21.5), rebounding (15.1) and shooting percentage (.650). And he's a good intimidator on defense.

One forward spot will go to 6-4 senior letterman Nate Hawthorne, who hit at an 11.9 average last year and hauled in 7.7 rebounds.

The other spot will be a fight among 6-4 senior Don Portugal (8.5), Hendrix, Thompson and Wallace and sophomores 6-5 A.J. Wallis (15.7) and 6-3 Tim Ricci (13.7).

Eddie James and John Marker were reserves last season but will fight it out for starting back court spots with Shilder and Nixon. Nixon averaged 26 points in Juco play, while Shilder was the playmaker on the Vincennes national championship team.

VALPARAISO

Barring senioritis, Valparaiso figures to have an excellent basketball team this Winter.

Coach Bill Purden, starting his third season, will have a veteran squad which is playing together for the third consecutive season. Two years ago they were 13-13 and last year 15-11.

The entire starting five is back intact as are all the top reserves. At center, it will be 6-8 John Wolfenberg, who averaged 21.4 points and 10.8 rebounds.

The forwards are 6-5 Wally Schultz (12.5) and 6-4 Dale Lesicki (10.9) while the guards will be 6-0 Tom Haeberle (11.0) and 5-11 Paul Fredlake (5.5).

Lynn Seyfert, a 6-7 center, and Gus Hagberg, a 6-3 guard, who averaged 5.2 and 3.4 respectively are other senior veterans of the squad.

Additional help is expected from 6-0 John Semmelhack, who averaged 27.8 points per game for Thornton Community College and sophomores 6.7 Joel Oberman (24.1), Milt McGee (16.5) and Tom Webb (12.4).

The Crusaders will be one of the favorites in the Indiana Collegiate Conference. Valparaiso also has a tough early schedule which includes road games against Illinois and Notre Dame.

ST. JOSEPH'S (IND.)

A new coach and relatively inexperienced personnel, the latter caused primarily by the graduation of six lettermen, clouds the basketball picture for St. Joseph's.

The new coach is John Weiner and he'll have five lettermen to work with from the club which finished 19-6 last season.

Plans for the 1972-73 season will be laid around the lettermen, paced by two regulars from last year, 6-6 forward Dave Huneryager and 6-5 center Jim Thordsen.

Huneryager fired a nifty .552 from the field while averaging 13.7 points and 6.3 rebounds per game. Thordsen, a sophomore, was a member of the Puerto Rican Olympic team that participated in the Munich games. He averaged 10.7 points and 7.8 rebounds as a freshman.

Rounding out the front line will be 6-7 Rick Vonderhaar, who finished with a 5.3 average.

Lettermen guards Mark Muterspaw (6-0) and Bill Hogan (6-0) also return, bringing back 6.8 and 5.7 scoring averages, respectively. Both started on several occasions.

Reserve help for the Pumas will come from Steve Scharrer, Alan Rockwell, Tom Brock, Dan Kostrzewa and Rich Badovinich.

BUTLER

The Bulldogs hope to rebound from an injury-plagued 6-20 season and they'll have to do it without Billy Shepher, all-time leading career scorer, and Oscar Evans. The two combined for nearly 40 points a game.

Coach George Theofanis returns five lettermen, headed by 6-7 Daryl Mason, top rebounder in the Indiana Collegiate Conference last year. He averaged 11.1 rebounds to go along with 11.8 points.

Transfers Dave Cunningham 6-8, and Bob Harris, 6-7, from Edison Junior College bolster the rebounding and offense. Dave Speckman, 6-4, moves up from the freshman team where he averaged 17.4 points a game.

Others expected to aid in the front court are 6-6½ Craig Reinhardt, injured all of last season and lettermen 6-6 Marty Monserez and 6-5 Kent Ehret, who averaged 5.2 and 10.9 points, respectively.

The Bulldogs, who may use Speckman in the back court in an effort to pick up some of the scoring slack left by Shepherd, will also have 5-10 senior John Randel (2.5) and 6-2 senior Clarence Crain (7.8) for guard duty.

Theofanis hopes to offset losses of Evans and Shepherd with more balance, particularly on offense and rebounding. However, the Bulldogs will be young with only three seniors and the prospects are for a long, long season.

DAYTON

The Dayton Flyers return eight lettermen for the 1972-73 season, including four starters from a team that finished 13-13.

On the surface it would appear that coach Don Donaher has a rosy path ahead.

Leading the way will be 6-0 Don Smith, who averaged 20.2 points a game as a sophomore. He'll be joined in the back court by Jack Kill (7.9).

There's more help in the back court with the addition to the squad of sophomore Willis Russ, who scored at a 15.0 rate for the Frosh.

Everyone is back up front, but Donaher might look to two sophomores—Joe Fisher and Allen Elijan—to beef up the rebounding.

Fisher, 6-8, averaged 22.2 points and Elijan, also 6-8, (15.1).

The returnees are Mike Sylvester (12.3), John Bitter (9.2), John Von Lehman (5.0) and Gordy Gahm (3.6).

Dayton struck out in the recruiting wars this time around so Donaher will have to go with the available talent—which isn't bad at all.

DETROIT

Jim Harding is a hard-driving coach who produces results as evidenced by Detroit's 18-6 record last season.

Gone are the top scorers, leaving the success this year in the hands of 6-0 senior guard Tom Marsh and 7-0 senior pivotman Gerald Smith. The two averaged 11.7 and 10.4 points a game, respectively.

Expected to add strength to the front court are 6-10, 240-pound Dan Palmer, who is returning after a two-year absence, and 6-5 Art Stepheson, a 6-5 forward from Compton Junior College (Cal.). Three sophomores are also prospects for positions—Jerry Guinane, Sean Savage and Terry Thomas (leading scorer and rebounder on last year's frosh team).

Joining Marsh in the back court will most likely be 6-2 Charlie Henderson, a transfer from Coffeyville (Kan.).

Chester Wilson, who along with Preston Pace, Owen Wells and Greg Carter return from last season's varsity squad, will be in the battle along with John Riley and Jim McHugh.

EVANSVILLE

Arad McCutchan feels that his Evansville team could be just as tough as the club that posted a 22-6 record and gained a berth in the NCAA College Division tournament for the 13th time.

Three starters are gone, but McCutchan, whose 26-year record at Evansville is 433-259, can call on several players who sparkled in reserve, plus a couple of redshirts and a transfer.

The returning starters are Greg Martin (9.5) and Curt John (8.5).

Ready for a full season as starters are 6-5 Jerry Conrad and Tim Skinner and 6-1 guard Irvin Graves.

Battling this trio for the three vacant berths are sophomores Roger Duncan, Mark Helfrich, Chris and Mike Meyerrose.

The redshirts are Dan McConnell and Dan Nichols, with Keith Huff, a 6-6 forward who transferred from Rice.

DE PAUL

One of the veterans of college basketball, Ray Meyer enters his 30th season of coaching with hopes of improving his DePaul team.

He should reap the benefits of a solid bunch of juniors who gained valuable experience last season.

Heading up the group are Mike Gillespie, Jim Marino, Chuck Wallace, Frank Steveson, Charles Hughes, Hans Pligge and Willie Jones.

The glory days at DePaul are gone, probably forever, and this might be Meyer's last season.

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SPRING ARBOR

New coach Bill Bockwitz has eight returning lettermen and three starters. Missing will be high scoring Jerry Neigh, who tallied 2,502 points in his career.

Heading the list of returnees is 6-2 guard Jack Evans, who averaged 27.7 points a game last year. Other returning starters are two 6-5 juniors—Nate Lake and Allan White. Virgil Cecil, Ray Gates and Larry DeRossett were top reserves.

Returning will be 6-4 Jimmy Jones, who dropped out of school last year after setting a rebound mark in 1970-71. Jimmy Johnson, a transfer from South Carolina State is another hopeful.

ST. CLOUD STATE

After suffering through two straight losing campaigns, St. Cloud hopes to bounce back this season. Much of the success will depend on how well 6-2 guard Kurt Virgin has recovered from knee surgery.

Up front, the Huskies have Roger Nordgren, Josh Strub (18.8) and Mark Stoeve (11.1), along with sophmore Ron Maus. Backup will come from Bob Schlagel, Mickey Hunter, Cal Boone, Steve Chann and Greg Fouks.

ILLINOIS TECH

Illinois Tech basketball coach Rich Swanson will have to rely on youngsters in an effort to improve on last year's 14-11 mark.

Leading scorer and rebounder Tom Skahill (18.8 & 10.1) is back and will be joined in the starting lineup by Jim Talkie, Larry Adams, Wayne Boss and Terry Majerski. Boss averaged nearly 14 points a game.

FERRIS STATE

Ferris State, which advanced to the finals of the NAIA District 23 playoffs before losing, should make it all the way to Kansas City next March.

Six players, who have been playing together since they were freshmen will anchor the team (17-9).

Top players returning include Dennis Johnson (26.8 points and 11.0 rebounds), Clarence Carlisle (16.9), Charlie Fuller (6.0), Larry Woodford (10.2), Bob Mangham (2.6) and Glenn Croxton (2.8). Junior college transfer Paul Stokes and Mitch Caskey will provide reserve help.

BEMIDJI STATE

With three starters back, Bemidji hopes to make it to the NAIA District 13 playoffs again. Last year, the club finished 16-10, losing in the semi-finals.

The starters are Mike Silk, Gary Wagner and Greg Beaumont, who averaged 9.6, 14.6 and 11.9, respectively. They will be joined in the lineup by Randy Gross (7.8) and sophomore Frank Kopetka.

RIO GRANDE

No, Rio Grande does not have another Bevo Francis this year. Those are by gone days. The Redmen, will in fact return only one player who scored in double figures, 6-4 Rom Lambert (14.7). He'll be joined by Steve Bartram (7.2), Doug Hart (6.7), Dan Bollinger (5.8) and Al Martin (11.6).

Bernie Williams, Dale Thompson and Mike Ross will provide the backup help.

SAGINAW VALLEY

Saginaw Valley was 8-17 last season with Norwaine Reed averaging 29.7 points a game. He's gone and that can only mean trouble for the Michigan school.

Likely to start are Jim Dwyer, Art Harris, Jerry Killian, Lee Wegner and the only senior Tony Robertson. Saginaw had a good recruiting year bringing in JC transfer Bob Soper and frosh Greg Vogel, Ron Subinski, Thorner Pruitt, Bobby Johnson and Angulus Guillary.

WAYNE STATE

Wayne State (11-12) figures to be in nearly every game if Bob "Super Sol" Solomon stays healthy and maintains his pace of the last two seasons. The 6-3 senior averaged 22.8 points and 12.5 rebounds and needs just 11 points to hit the 1,000 mark.

Coach Frank Gompert returns seven other letter winners headed by Otis Whitehead (8.4), Jim Newsom (7.8), Tyrone Henton (11.7), Mike Rogers (2.7) and Gene Seaborn (2.4).

NORTHWOOD (IND.)

Only one player is missing from the first 12 players on the Northwood team which finished 18-8 last season. Foremost among those back is 6-4 Mike Oden who averaged 25.4 points and 16.1 rebounds a game.

Larry Weber (11.6), Kevin Snow (9.8), Bob Lane (8.3), Otis Broughton (8.0), Mike Basler (6.9), Phil Meyer (4.8), Eric Smith (3.7), Larry Purless (2.5) and Tom Harrell (1.6) round out the returnees. Jim Terry is the best of the incoming freshmen.

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NEVADA-LAS VEGAS

Despite the fact that Nevada-Las Vegas will field a young, inexperienced team, it still could be in the middle of the fight for the WCAC championship.

Two of the reasons the Rebels will be tough are Bob Florence and Jimmy Baker.

Florence, a 6-4 forward, averaged 22.1 points a game, picking up honors as All-WCAC and co-sophomore of the year. He averaged 9.3 rebounds a game and shot .584 from the floor.

Baker, a 6-9 sophomore, was one of the

top frosh scorers and rebounders in the nation last year, averaging 36.7 points and 22.4 rebounds a game. He was the only freshman selected to compete in the Olympic Trials. In one game last season, Baker scored 51 points, had 40 rebounds and 15 assists.

The center will be 6-9 senior Toby Houston, who averaged 4.7 points and 7.0 rebounds in a spot duty role. He'll be pressed hard by two sophomores, 6-11 Dan Cunningham (15.1 & 14.4) and 6-9 Don Weimer (11.1 & 13.1).

Additional backup help will be provided by Mike Whaley, Lonnie Wright, Nat Bolster and George Warner.

Leaster Weaver, who averaged 12 points and 10 assists a game at Tyler (Tex. Junior College) will be joined in the back court by Eddit Taylor, a high school teammate of Baker's, who scored at a 22.3 rate.

Rounding out the team, coached by John Bayer (14-12 last year) are Pat Polster, Ed Carman, Ralph Piercy and Harry Shaw.

SEATTLE

The Seattle Chieftans have six returning lettermen—and a new coach, former Providence assistant, Bill O'Connor.

Seattle finished third in the West Coast Athletic Conference in its first season last year, but will find it tough to repeat the performance this time around.

Heading up the list of returnees is 6-8 Greg Williams, who will play the middle in O'Connor's single high-post offense. Williams averaged 19.8 points a game for the season and 21.2 in the WCAC and averaged better than 12 rebounds.

The other returning starter is 6-4 junior guard Rod Derline, who scored at a 9.4 clip last season. An excellent outside shooter and driver, Derliner hit .538 of his field goal attempts.

Up front with Williams are expected to be 6-7 sophomore Bob Gross and 6-4 Ron Howard.

Gross led the freshmen to a 13-6 record, scoring 20.3 points a game. O'Connor is particularly pleased (after viewing films) at the manner in which Gross gets rid of the outlet pass.

Howard, a great leaper, averaged seven points and eight rebounds a contest while seeing mostly spot duty.

Derline's companion in the back court will be 6-4 senior Lenzy Stuart. At one time one of the most prized players in the country, Stuart has been just regaining the form he lost as the result of operations on both knees. He could be the key to the Chieftans' success.

PEPPERDINE

The Bird is back and while Pepperdine may not win the West Coast Athletic Conference championship, the fans will be provided with plenty of excitement.

Bill Averitt is the "Bird". Last year, as a sophomore, the 6-1 gunner averaged 28.9 points a game, fifth best in the nation. In the process he shattered four school records and three conference marks.

Averitt will be joined in the back court by 5-11 Reggie Harris (19.8). Newcomers up from the frosh are 6-3 Brian Goorjian, 6-4 Jerry Kralovansky along with part-time starter 6-0 Stanford Williams and 5-11 Don Braunecker.

At the wing position, the veterans are 6-5 Jeff Hendrix (12.4 points and 9.8 rebounds) and 6-3 George Wilson (3.7). Allan Jones MVP of last year's frosh, who is 6-7, figures to get one of the jobs. He averaged 23.8 points and 12.8 rebounds. Another possibility is 6-5 sophomore Rick Williams (22.1). Bob Holm, a 6-7 senior, may also see some action.

Coach Gary Colson will go with inexperience in the middle and this is his main concern. The job will most likely fall on the shoulders of 6-7 sophomore Billy Williams (10.3), backed up by 6-8 soph Larry Domke and 6-8, 245-pound freshman Mike Schroeder.

LOYOLA (LA)

Last year, Loyola (LA) posted an 11-15 mark, including a 6-8 record in the West Coast Athletic Conference. The prospects are not good the team will be able to match either mark, especially with the opening three games against Southern Cal, Utah and Weber State, all on the road.

Fifth-year head coach Dick Baker has three starters back, but it's the two open spots that are causing him concern.

Senior center Steve Smith (6-8), an All-WCAC choice last year when he averaged 21.1 points and 14.3 rebounds, is the top returnee. Forward Don Shaw (6-5), who averaged 13.5 points and 5.6 rebounds and 6-2 guard Scott Kay (11.0) are the other holdovers.

The likely candidates for the open guard spot are 6-2 redshirt Randy Hunter, the 1970-71 freshman squad's number two scorer (19.1), 6-2 Glen Hannah and 5-11 Lou Gray, who broke Loyola's frosh scoring record with a 26.6 norm.

There are several prospects for the vacant forward spot but they all lack height. Baker will most likely call on senior Bill Thomason (6-4) an 8.2 scorer, 6-4 Joe Cullen or 6-6 sophomore Brad Dean. The latter stand the best chance of starting. He averaged 25.3 points and 15.8 rebounds for the frosh.

Loyola also picked up an outstanding freshman prospect in Luther Philyaw, 6-2, who was named the California Interscholastic Federation's AA Player of the Year.

ST. MARY'S

With only four holdovers from last year's team plus two junior college transfers—one a sophomore—St. Mary's, out of necessity, will be committed to a youth program.

Mike Rozenski, a 6-8 sophomore is expected to open at one forward position with the other up for grabs between 6-8 Craig Casault, a prep All-American from Michigan, and 6-8 Chris Thode, a transfer from Delta College (Cal.). Frank McNamara, a 6-5 junior, who averaged 2.2 points a game, will be the other reserve.

The pivot position will be manned by either Lorne McKelvie, a 6-9 holdover from last year, or 6-10 Bill Range, the center on the freshman team. McKelvie averaged 3.8 points and five rebounds a game while seeing only spot duty.

The success for coach Bruce Hale's team, which was 9-17 overall (including two season-ending forfeits) and 3-11 in the WCAC will come from the back court.

Providing he returns to school, the team's standout and likely high scorer will be Earl Brown. Last year, the 6-0 back court ace, averaged 14.1 points a game.

Other back court candidates include Mark Viera, a 6-5 sophomore, 6-2 junior college transfer Matt Kriletich, and 6-5 junior Vince Lombard.

Viera, a former All-Northern California choice as a prep star, shared leading scoring honors with Rozenski on the yearling team and will most likely start.

Big Eight Conference

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Tom Gregory (5.5) and Riehl could be the regulars at guard, but Cipriano has some other topflight back court man including Rick Brown, Jim Goodrich, Tom Novak, Randy Watts and freshman Ricky Marsh. An All-New York City selection, Marsh just might wind up winning a job in the back court.

This was an exceptional recruiting year for Nebraska, which also collared 6-6 Alan Bluman, 6-6 Larry Cox, 6-7 Rex Mellencamp and 6-3 Jerrell Fort.

The Cornhuskers were 14-12 overall and 7-7 in the Big Eight last year. The prospects of attaining the same mark are not good, in light of the major losses sustained up front. It will be more of a rebuilding year for Cipriano.

COLORADO

The University of Colorado, coming off one of its worst seasons in modern history (7-19) will be looking for better things this year. However, coach Sox Walseth will still be fielding a young team that lacks the big man in the middle.

The Buffaloes return starters in 6-5 forward Scott Wedman (12.7), swingman Lee Haven (9.2) and 6-1 senior guard Jerry Wright (9.1).

Walseth will get back 6-5 forward Steve Aaker, who was a starter two years ago, but suffered a knee injury prior to the start of the season a year ago and missed the entire season as did top reserves Doug Mitchell, a 6-4 junior forward and 5-10 junior guard Bobby Hofman, who was slated to be a starter last year but joined Aaker and Mitchell in the hospital with knee injuries.

Colorado will also get a boost from 6-6 forward Bill Cole, who transferred from the Air Force Academy, where he was a starter two years ago.

From last year's average frosh team, the top newcomers appear to be 6-7 forward Stan Burdine (15.8), 6-2 guard Kurt Donsmoor (11.7) and 6-5 forward Mike Matthews (9.1). Burdine might step into the lineup right away in the middle if Walseth can't find a center immediately from his veteran ranks.

The schedule is demanding, with Houston, Long Beach State, New Mexico State, Nevada-Las Vegas and New Mexico on the non-conference slate.

A return to the .500 level would be a big accomplishment for the Golden Buffaloes in 1972-73.

OKLAHOMA STATE

The outlook for Oklahoma State this

season should be one of improvement. This wouldn't take much doing, since the Cowboys were 4-22 overall and 2-12 in the Big Eight Conference.

Coach Sam Aubrey, beginning his third year, has six returning lettermen, including three starters and has three good sophomores coming up to the varsity.

Starters 6-7, 225-pound junior Ralph Rasmuson, the leading scorer and rebounder as a soph last year, and 6-6 Kevin Fitzgerald, return to the front line. Rasmuson averaged 14.1 points and eight rebounds a game and led the team with a .496 field goal shooting percentage. Fitzgerald, who started every game as a sophomore, hit for 10.5 points a game.

Coming off the frosh team are 7-0 Tim Hund (who might wind up being redshirted), 6-8 Andy Hopson and 6-7 Mick McCaffrey. Brent Dahle, 6-9, returns after a two-year absence for church mission work overseas. The presence of the muscular Hopson (6-8, 225) may move Rasmuson from the pivot to a wing spot.

Aubrey is considering the move of Fitzgerald to a back line spot if Dahle and Hopson can play effectively up front. McCaffrey, Hund and 6-8 senior Steve Uthoff and footballer Reuben Gant give the Pokes depth across the front.

On the back line, 6-0 Dave Fisher started a year ago as a sophomore, averaging 7.4 points per game. He'll most likely be joined by 6-2 Ray Cole a part-time starter (2.5) or K.C. Kincaide, a 6-4 sophomore.

Two freshmen who figure to see some action are 6-7 Bill Klein and Lafayette Threatt.

Missouri Valley Conference

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DRAKE

Drake should be the surprise team of the Missouri Valley Conference this season. Coach Howard Stacey suffered through a 7-19 campaign in his first go-around, but the Bulldogs lost eight games by three points or less.

Four starters are back, but no one is really assured of a starting spot, what with a group of outstanding sophs and J.C. transfers, along with a super bunch of frosh ready for varsity competition.

The key to any improvement will be the play of sophomore guard Ron Caldwell, who led the frosh with a 26.7 scoring average including a single game high of 42. Returnees Dave Langston (8.9) and Cleo Kilgore (11.6) will battle for the other starting guard spot.

Larry Seger, 6-8½, was the starting center, averaging 11 points and 7 rebounds per contest. Andy Graham, a 6-10 redshirt might take the job away, but overall the position will be quite strong.

The forward spot is even more muddled. Denny Ball (10.5) is back but he'll be pushed hard by sophomore Larry Haralson and JC transfer Buzz Thomas. Seger also has the ability to play outside.

Haralson at 6-9 is a super prospect. Last year with the freshman he averaged 23.2 points and 15.3 rebounds.

Others returning are Tony Johnson, Craig Davis, Mark Godfrey and Chuck Rysz.

Stacy is also extremely high on Bob Manker, a 6-5½ prep All-American from California. He could be seeing lots of action by the time the Valley schedule is underway.

The Drake coach tried 12 different combinations in his first season, solved some internal problems and laid the ground work for a solid program. His team is ready to surprise the Valley.

LOUISVILLE

Any hopes Louisville had for repeating as Missouri Valley Conference champions disappeared over the summer when the Cardinals failed in their effort to land Benny Clyde. The 6-8 super Juco star was considered a sure thing for coach Denny Crum. Instead, Clyde backed out and wound up at Florida State.

The Cardinals, who lost their entire starting five, had an outstanding freshman team which will provide immediate help. But the one missing piece, is a strong, big man which Clyde would have been.

Louisville could, in fact, wind up with a 6-2 junior college transfer handling the center spot. The Cardinals recruited Bill Butler of the national champion Vincennes team where he averaged 20 points and 16 rebounds a game. Butler, a great leaper, was the MVP in the Juco tournament.

Bill Bunton, at 6-8, is the biggest member of the squad, but he is on the thin side. He's a good outside shooter too, as evidenced by his showing as a freshman two years ago.

The other up front spot will go to Ulysses Bridgeman, one of the great incoming sophs. He averaged 21.8 points and 12.6 rebounds for the Baby Cardinals.

In the backcourt, it's likely that a pair of sophs will get the starting assignments. Allen Murphy (6-5), the leading scorer on last year's freshman team (23.8 points), is already being touted as Louisville's next All-American guard, following in the footsteps of Jim Price and Butch Beard. Redshirt sophomore, Terry Howard, who averaged 15 points a game two seasons ago, will join Murphy in the backcourt.

Rounding out the squad are Ken Bradley, Tim Cooper, Joe Meiman, and Lou Simmons. Two frosh who may see limited action are 6-7 Jesse Williams of Chicago and 6-4 Jim Abrams of Cleveland.

BRADLEY

Following an impressive 17-9 season, Bradley coach Joe Stowell is looking for a run at the Missouri Valley crown this time around. He has six lettermen returning from the club which finished 8-6 in the Conference.

Heading up the experienced returnees will be 1972 Sophomore-of-the-Year in the MVC, 6-6 Seymour Reed. He averaged 10.9 points and 7.5 rebounds a game and was outstanding on defense.

The other veterans are 6-7 Sam Allen (7.6), 6-3 Mike Harrell (5.2), 6-1 Dave Klobucher (4.9), 6-1 Doug Shank (6.3) and 5-6 Henry Thomas (1.4).

Other returning squad members are 6-5 Tim Althoff, 6-7 Don Hogeboom, 6-6 Gil

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Pacey, 6-4 Jim Perryman and 5-11 Jim Zimmerman.

Stowell's biggest problem will be replacing his great one-two punch of Sam Simmons (15.1) and Rich Schultz (14.8). As seniors, the two averaged 21.3 and 16.1 points, respectively.

Some of the help is expected to come from 6-8 Mark Dohner, who averaged 24.4 points per game for the frosh club which recorded a 10-5 mark. Among the wins was one over the highly touted Louisville frosh.

Other leading sophomore candidates are 6-1 John Carroll, 6-1 Roger Coulter, 5-10 Tom Les and 6-8 Paul Zander.

Stowell will be in his eighth season and he'll start it with a record of 116-69.

The Braves don't have the over-all talent to challenge for the crown. They won't be a pushover, either.

MISSOUR VALLEY CONFERENCE—WEST

NEW MEXICO STATE

New Mexico State, led by fabulous guard John Williamson joins the Missouri Valley Conference this season and has a chance to take the league championship. They are favorites to win the Western Division.

A lot of things will have to fall into place for coach Lou Henson, who has put together one of the best coaching records in the country since taking over in 1966. He has compiled a 129-39 mark and took the Aggies to five consecutive NCAA playoffs prior to last season's 20-6 finish when they were bypassed.

He has six lettermen returning, including three starters. Williamson, of course, will be the key player. As a sophomore, he averaged 27.1 points per game, the sixth best scoring norm in the nation. In the process, Williamson set three school records.

Senior Captain Truman Ward (6-6), who averaged 13.1 points and 10.2 rebounds a game, will start for the third consecutive season at forward. He'll be joined by either junior Hal Robinson (5.0 & 6.8), a part-time starter last year, or 6-8, 220-pound Jim Bostic, the leader of last year's frosh with 24.1 points and 17.4 rebounds.

Other possibilities up front include letterman Bill Ford and sophomores Allan Graham and Mike Pool.

In the backcourt, with Williamson, is a mixture of experience and inexperience, although some of it is partially proven. Ken Shaw, a two-year standout at Northeastern (Col.) J.C., is rated tops defensively and handed out 6.8 assists per game last year.

Steve White, the quarterback and 18.5 point per game scorer for the frosh should see playing time as should Clyde Williamson. Austin Lehmann, the second leading scorer on the 1970-71 frosh team, returns to the varsity after an absence of one year.

WICHITA STATE

Wichita State is likely headed for a post season tournament bid at the conclusion of the 1972-73 season. The Shockers were 16-10 last year and should be better despite the loss of their top two scorers and rebounders.

There may not be a better guard tandom in the nation than Wichita's duo of 6-4 Vince Smith and 6-2 Bob Wilson.

Smith averaged 15.3 points and topped the Shockers in free throw shooting with .722. He also hit .503 from the field, mostly on long range jumpers.

Wilson was first team Junior College All-American at Northeastern (Col.) where he averaged 30.4 points per game. Wilson was selected as an alternate to the U.S. Olympic team, just missing a berth. He is possessed of superb ball handling and passing skills.

Last year, Wilson averaged 8.2 assists, shot .575 from the floor and hit .820 from the free throw line. He also had a 10.1 rebounding average.

Reserve strength in the backcourt will be provided by 6-4 Virgil Tucker, who broke his foot after the fourth game of the season, averaging 9.5 points during his tenure, and Art Louvar, a 6-4 sometime starter, who finished with a 6.5 norm.

Frontline strength will be something else with 6-8 All-MVC pivot Terry Benton and 6-6 forward scoring leader Ron Harris gone.

Junior pivot Randy Wilson, a 6-9 reserve and JC transfer 6-7 Floyd Holmes, along with freshman 6-9 Rudy Jackson will battle for the job.

The forwards will come from among Bill Lang, Greg Boxberger, "Gentle" Ben Garner, Bill Lang, Rich Morsden and Nate Revels. Jackson can also go to the corner.

NORTH TEXAS STATE

North Texas State will have a young team, but one with potential. Much of coach Gene Robbins success will depend on the ability of his big men.

Only one starter, 6-4 Jeryl Sasser (11.8) is back. As was the case much of last season, when the Eagles were 8-18 overall and 2-12 in the Missouri Valley Conference, Sasser will probably wind up alternating with John Coleman, a 6-4 senior, who averaged 5.9 points a game.

The other forward spot will go to the heralded Bobby Iverson, a 6-6 sophomore, who averaged 27 points and 13.4 rebounds with the freshmen last year. He was a first-team high school All-American and one of Robbins first recruits when he took over the head coaching job.

North Texas lacks a real big man so the job will likely go to 6-7½, 225-pound Stanley Blackmon, who was a standout with Hutchinson Junior College. Blackmon averaged 18.5 points and 12 rebounds a game, hitting a record 39 markers in the regional tournament.

The top backcourt candidate is 6-3 senior Bill Cox, who missed the first month of last season with a broken foot and was never in peak form. He appeared in 13 games with 5.8 average with a high of 17 against Louisville. Another sophomore, 6-2 Tony Wright, who scored more than 4,000 points in a high school career, or Denny Wuthrich, who averaged 15.4 points, will be the other guard.

Other lettermen returning are Bill Etheridge, Stew Marquis and John Tucker. Redshirts last year were Glenn Buntin, who transferred from Oral Roberts and Jim Gallman from Georgia Tech. Bob Bailey did not see game action while Ben Sayles sat out last season after missing the first semester of school. As a sophomore, he averaged 13.2 points and eight rebounds. George Tandy and Lynn Hofacket are other Juco transfers.

TULSA

Tulsa coach Ken Hayes faces the enormous task of replacing a backcourt duo—Steve Bracey and Jim Clesson—who averaged more than 40 points a game.

Being primed for the spots, which could go a long way toward improving on the 1971-72 mark of 15-11 and 5-9 in the Missouri Valley Conference, is 6-3 Willie Biles, a reserve last season who averaged 3.3 points a game. Mike Dobbins, a 6-0 sophomore, who hit for a 16.8 norm with the frosh is a strong candidate for the other post, along with redshirt guard Tim Carson.

Returning to give the Hurricanes strength up front will be last year's leading rebounder Joe Voskuhl and forward Dave Rademayer, who last season combined for 417 rebounds. Voskuhl, who is 6-8, averaged 10.9 points and 10.4 rebounds a game, while the 6-7 Rademeyer averaged 9.3 points and 6.0 rebounds.

Stan McLaughlin, 6-7, will again serve in a backup role up front because the other starting position is ticketed for 6-8 Sammy High, considered one of the best frontliners in the Juco ranks last season, where he averaged 24 points and 15 rebounds per contest.

Hayes, has compiled a remarkable 250-96 record in 16 years of coaching and is 66-39 in four seasons at Tulsa, including a trip to the National Invitation Basketball Tournament.

His club will benefit from the fact it will be playing in the easier of the two divisions, but the out of conference schedule includes Kansas State, Oklahoma, Cincinnati, Creighton and Oklahoma City among others.

Tulsa, in fact, will have to battle to stay out of the division cellar.

WEST TEXAS STATE

West Texas State makes its debut in the Missouri Valley Conference this year and for the longest time things looked dismal for coach Dennis Walling's team.

Then, late in July, the Buffaloes got the good news that the Missouri Valley Conference had ruled that Ray Golson, who averaged 19.9 points per game as a junior two years ago, would get another year of eligibility.

Golson hit for 53 points in the first two games of the 1971-72 season and was injured without scoring a point in the first two minutes of the third game and missed the remainder of the season. He was selected in the pro draft, but now will be back to lead the State attack. Most important, Golson has fully recovered from his knee operation.

The Buffaloes were 15-11 last season, playing a schedule of a mixture of independents and some of the teams in the MVC. It should be a lot tougher to improve on the record in the Valley where winning on the road is next to impossible

Teaming with Golson in the backcourt will be either 6-0 Mike Rodriguez (5.9) or 6-2 Brent Lake (8.3). Backup help will come from Tony Airhart, Dan Boyce, Kyle Sunderman and Bob Thorpe.

Up front, the Buffaloes will go with 6-6 senior Jerry Christian (12 points and 9 rebounds a game) at center and 6-7 senior Jon McCoy (2.2) and 6-6 Hector Rodriguez (2.9) at the forwards.

Rounding out the squad will be Tom Brownfield, Scott Doores, Robbie Graham, and Larry Jarzombek.

Walling will have to put together several good recruiting years to keep the Buffaloes competitive in the MVC.

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inger and Steve Nau, both returning starters will add some experience as will sophomore Joe Gebhardt.

Coach Taylor W. Hayes will build the remainder of his squad around Jerry Angle, Mike Angstadt, Ron Dengler, Dan Dingeman, Bruce Dragoo, Alan Frank, Al Higginbotham, Stu Silver and Lee Van Donselaar.

MARYMOUNT

Tiny Marymount—only a few years ago an all female institution—rolled to 31 consecutive victories last season before falling in the NAIA district championships.

Only one starter is gone, and he'll be replaced by Jim Hearnes, an All-Stater from New Jersey.

Sylvester Cuyler, who averaged 19 points and 12.9 rebounds a game as a freshmen, will be the hub of coach Ken Cochran's team. Dave Ernst (11.0), Wardell Smith (9.4), Tom Reid (9.9) and Jerry Rowland (7.6) will battle for the other starting spots.

NEBRASKA-OMAHA

Prospects for a winning season at Nebraska-Omaha hinge on finding adequate replacements for three of five starters. Back are Calvin Forrest (13.7) and Dave Ksiazak (3.5).

Other squadmen with playing experience include Dick Heithoff, Roger Woltkamp and Jim Scott.

Dennis Fisher and Bruce Chubick, transfers from Southwestern Community (Iowa), will be joined by sophomores Steve Fleming, Pat Roehrig and Randy Worth to round out the squad.

MISSOURI-ST. LOUIS

Having lost the starting five from a 21-6 team which won the NCAA Midwest Regionals, Missouri-St. Louis coach Chuck Smith went out and grabbed four junior college transfers and a Loyola-New Orleans player.

The Juco players are Derrick Johnson, Kevin Barthule, Dave Kincaid and Derick Gray. Kevin Brennan came after his school dropped basketball.

KANSAS STATE TEACHERS

Two starters will spearhead the Kansas State Teachers basketball team this season. Coach Ron Slaymaker's squad will still be inexperienced overall and will be pressed to improve on a 14-11 mark.

Expected to start are Ed Burton, Chris Langvardt, Jesse Nelson, Don Stevens and Bill Marano.

CHADRON

Coach Mack Peyton, who is beginning his

13th season at Chadron State, must replace four starters from the 1971-72 team that compiled a 14-13 mark.

The only returnee is Lee Baumann, who averaged 10 points per game. Peyton hopes to take up much of the slack with transfers Gene Garrison, Lorne Boswell, Chuck Holley and Dan Daugherty.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE

Several years ago, North Dakota State was a representative in the NCAA college division playoffs. Last season they were 8-18 and now there's a new coach Marv Skaar.

Top returnees are Warren Means and Tom Driscoll. Skaar recruited two junior college standouts to pick up the rebounding slack. They are 6-10 Phil Carolson and 6-8 Chris Curfman.

To complement Driscoll, Skaar picked off Willie Austin, a 6-2 guard from Wahpeton Science, where he averaged 25.9 points a game.

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE

Five lettermen will be returning for South Dakota State. They will be lead 6-6 forward Dave Thomas and 6-6 swingman Lee Colburn, the leading scorers and rebounders last season when SDS was 17-8 and earned an NCAA Midwest Regional Tourney berth, the fourth in the five years.

Also back will be Dale Nickelson, Evan Franken and Ron Wiblemo. Others who should see action are Kevin Wertz, Terry Janssen, Kevin McDermott, Jeff Nielsen and Terry Wasland.

Colburn, who averaged 21.2 points and 8.9 rebounds will be under the watchful eye of pro scouts this season.

NORTH DAKOTA

Dave Gunther begins his third North Dakota basketball campaign with several unanswered questions like where to come up with some size for rebounding. The Sioux will miss 6-8 Chuck Dodge, who grabbed more than a quarter of all rebounds.

Lettermen returning are Bruce Austin, Bob Boyer, Don Gunhus, Bill Hawk, Mike Montgomery and John Thelen. Boyer's 10.5 average is the best of the group.

Up from the freshman team are Ron Becker, Rick Fischer, John Thorpe and 6-7 Fred Luken. Mark Knudtson, a junior college transfer, could win a starting job.

North Dakota was 18-7 overall last year.

SOUTHWESTERN—Quick and small is the best way to describe Jerry Jobe's Bulldogs. "We don't have any plays for anyone over 6-2," Jobe jokes.

Of course he'd not turn down a big center and was still searching as final enrollment neared at Weatherford. But the perenially tough Bulldogs—18-10 a year ago—are loaded with good little players.

The Bulldogs return 6-5 senior Joe Pierce (17.9 pts., 10.3 rebounds) and he could be the tallest regular. Guard Eddie Crosson, who's 5-9 and averaged 10.4 in '72, is also back and Jobe has picked up 6-2 Wichita transfer David Offord who was a superb juco player in the state two years before becoming disenchanted at Wichita.

And Jobe also has 6-3 West Virginia grade casualty Levi Phillips, considered a legitimate pro prospect. From there it's back to the transfer trail.

OKLAHOMA BAPTIST—Graduation wiped out Oklahoma Baptist's entire front line and coach Gene Wallace thought he had things in good order when he obtained 6-8 LeRoy Lay and 6-6 Willie Daniels, two of the state's top juco prospects. But it now appears that both will wind up at NCAA schools.

That leaves the burden on a trio of guards. Best of the lot is 6-3 senior Wardell Jeffries (17.9). Two other seniors—5-10 David Sallee (9.9) and 6-2 Mike Taylor (9.0)—shared the other guard slot last season and are considered way above average.

Only senior forward Mark Weber (5.8 pts., 3.2 rbds.) has much inside experience and he's only 6-3. OBU was 19-9 a year ago, but must find more inside help if they're to repeat such a mark.

EAST CENTRAL—Size will not be a problem with Jerry Anderson's Tigers. If everybody shows up who finished last season, then they'll field the biggest club in the state.

First there's 6-11 junior George Packer (7.4) who played the second semester after transferring from New Mexico State. Then there's 6-7 junior Thurman Buford (10.2) and 6-7 sophomore Reggie Grace (8.1). Leonard Wofford, a 6-5 junior who started early in the season, also returns as do two dandy guards—5-10 Henry Humbles (7.5) and 6-0 Jimmy Walker (7.0).

East Central was 17-10 last season and should be tough again.

SOUTHEASTERN—Frank Davis' Savages could be the top team in the state in '72-73, or they might not have a winning season. Talent abounds at Durant and if Davis can keep everybody happy then the possibilities are limitless.

Davis' first club finished 15-11 a year ago and five of the top six return and only two of those are expected to start. Top returnees are 6-5 Willard Kindrick (19.1) and 6-3 Marion Peterson (12.3)—both should start. Then there's 6-4 George Neff (10.0), 5-9 Benjamin Paschal (7.5) and 5-10 Jim Williams (8.1).

Top newcomers are 6-5 juco transfer Charles Manson and 6-4 Oklahoma City University defector Jim Cole. Manson averaged 23 points and 14 rebounds in junior college and was a much sought after prospect while Cole, who's 27 and has been everywhere and done everything, could be a good one if he wants to.

Cole played at Old Dominion before joining the Navy. He was expected to be OCU's top player last season but walked off three weeks before the season opener.

Six-foot baseballer Marvin Thouvenel, who played at Oral Roberts before the Titans went big-time, will probably start with Cole at the guard slots.

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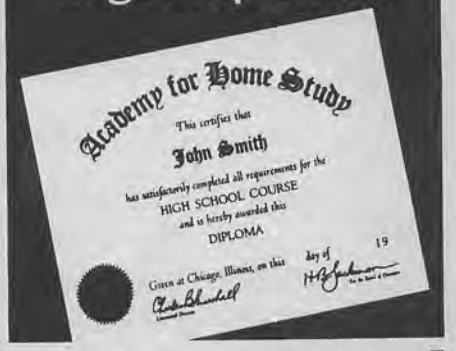

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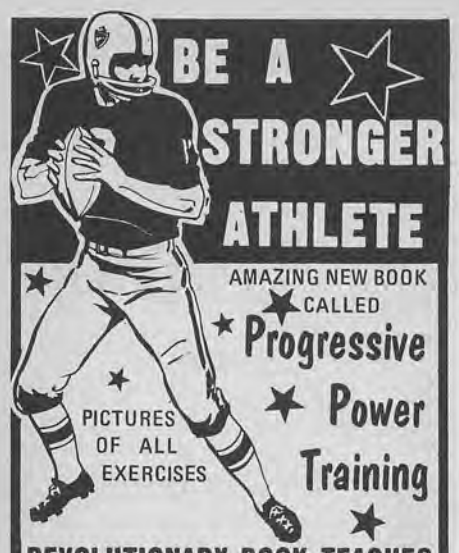

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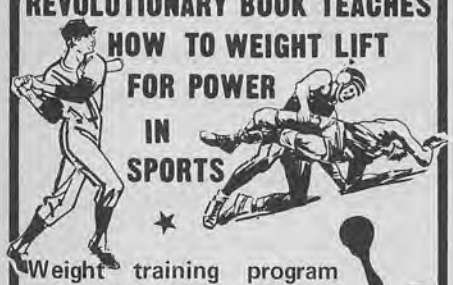

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Lamont King (8.0) and Glenn McDonald (5.5) return in the backcourt, but somewhere room will have to be made for 6-3 sophomore Ernie Douse, a great shooter and ball handler.

Coach Jerry Tarkainian's team should have enough to win the Pacific Coast Athletic Association title again. It will likely mean another showdown with UCLA, too.

FRESNO STATE

Fresno State coach Ed Gregory will be counting heavily on 7-2 center Neal "The Real" McCoy to blossom into a standout this season.

Charles Bailey, a 6-6 junior, with outstanding potential is the other big gun for the Bulldogs.

The club will miss Jerry Pender who was among the leading scorers in the conference over the past couple of seasons.

U.C. SANTA BARBARA

Santa Barbara had the horses last year but not enough to compete with the likes of Long Beach State and Pacific. Last year, the club entered the season with four returning starters.

It will be a different story for coach Ralph Barkey in 1972-73. Graduation stripped his club of standouts like John Tschogl, Earl Frazier and Ron Allen. In fact 56 points of the club's total offensive average of 78 came from players not returning.

The only player of substance back is guard Bob Shachter, who averaged 7.6 points a game.

It looks like a long season for the Gauchos.

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Lewis should pick up a lot of the scoring slack and challenge Marvich's scoring records, providing coach Bob Miller lets him do his thing.

He'll be joined in the backcourt by 6-4 Adrian Chivers, who hit at a 14.8 clip for the frosh last season.

Up front, Los Angeles State will go with returning starter 6-4 Preston Scott (9.4) at forward along with 6-5 Billy Mallory, who averaged 16.3 points and 15.8 rebounds for the frosh. The center is 6-7 Darcy Bailey, a transfer from Chaffey (Cal.) junior College.

Lee Denmon, a 6-2 swingman who started last season (9.6) will be the top reserve.

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Southwest Conference

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could start two incoming freshmen, 6-7 Lynn Royall, a prep All-American and 6-10 Wayne Waymon. Both are highly touted and represent prize catches in one of the best recruiting years in Frog history.

Also expected to help are 6-6 Chuck Elsey, who averaged 22.9 points and 12.9 rebounds for the freshman, a team that was 5-10, and a pair of junior college transfers 6-0 Bill Mullen and 6-6 Larry Young.

TCU will be hard pressed to stay out of the SWC cellar.

BAYLOR

Baylor's junior college-oriented basketball program is going to be even more so in 1973 as veteran coach Bill Menefee tries to regroup from losing four starters who were his team's top point producers, defenders and rebounders.

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Coming up from last year's freshman team will be former Illinois All-Stater Tom Wilkins, who averaged 19 points a game. Also 6-6 Charlie Bassett (17.0) and Jim Weaver (15.1).

Menfee went back to his ever-flowing well of talent, Tyler Junior College, to sign two outstanding players, 6-6 Charlie McKinney and 6-5 Jerry Ahart; dipped into the California ranks for two more 6-9 Floyd Allen and 6-0 guard Steve Dalland and added Texas JCer Mike Luce (6-1).

McKinney averaged 20.9 points and 17.4 rebounds while being voted the most outstanding player in the Region 14 tournament while Ahart, with a 21.5 scoring average and a 10.3 rebound mark, was voted the honor in 1971.

Baylor finished 14.12 overall, but was only 4-10 in the Southwest Conference. They are again an unknown quantity, simply because of the influx of JC transfers. They don't figure to battle for the conference crown and will have to fight to avoid the cellar.

RICE

Rice went all the way from winning the Southwest Conference title to a disasterous 6-20 mark in 1971-72. The team won only one game in league play and suffered losses to 38 and 48 points to Wake Forest and North Carolina, respectively. The Owls were 1-14 on the road.

Coach Don Knodel is dynamic and won't be down for long. His staff went out and recruited a half dozen prep stars from five states extending from Pennsylvania to Illinois.

Guards Arnold Coleman, Chuck Saus and Chuck Daniels, along with front court players Willie Hamilton, Bill Sparker and Steve Lukingbeal could all see action this year as freshmen.

There's plenty of height up front for the Owls with 6-10 Mark Wehrle and 6-9 Steve Emshoff back. Wehrle averaged 10.3 points and 5.8 rebounds a game while Emshoff hit for a 9.6 norm and collected 5.9 rebounds.

Also back from last season's squad are John Kabbes (8.1 points and 5.3 rebounds), John Mott (7.0), while Tim Moriarty, a Wisconsin recruit, who make All-SWC freshman team, Danny Carroll, Paul Scott and Darryl Hughes are up from the yearlings, which weren't much better overall with a 2-11 mark.

Knodel surprised everyone by winning the conference championship in 1971. He'll absolutely astound the basketball world if he can perform a miracle of that magnitude this season. Rice seems destined for last place so Knodel is likely to give his frosh a lot of playing time and work for next year.

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Southland Conference

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DAVIDSON

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Now, the players have a year of experience under their belts and are ready to make a run at national honors.

The Wildcats only lack the big man in the middle, a situation resolved as 6-9 Sheldon Parker moves up to the varsity. Parker averaged 14.7 points and 9.8 rebounds for the frosh, who were 17-2.

At the forwards it will be 6-6 John Pecorak (11.5 points and 8.4 rebounds) and T. Jay Pecorak (9.6 points).

John Falconi, a 6-5 guard with all the tools for greatness, averaged 16.1 points a game despite missing six full games with an ankle injury and playing in several others at below par. He'll team with Mike Sorrentino, 6-0, who averaged 10.9 points and led the Wildcats in assists.

Coach Terry Holland will have good backup help with Paul Wagner, returning to full strength after a knee injury, Steve Gadaire, and sophomores 6-5 Greg Dunn (22.5) and 6-7 Larry Harowitz (22.2 points and 11.9 rebounds).

RICHMOND

There should be a definite improvement in Richmond basketball fortunes in 1972-73 as coach Lew Mills begins his 10th season.

Six of the top seven scorers of last year's team, which posted a 6-19 record (3-9 in the Southern Conference) are back.

Much of the success of the Spiders will rest on the shoulders of 6-10 junior center Jeff Snider, who averaged 11.5 points and 7.5 rebounds last year. He'll be backed up by 6-9 Ray Amann (5.9 points and 5.5 rebounds).

At the forwards will be 6-5 Roger Hatcher (8.1) and 6-7 Gus Collier (10.5 points and 7.2 rebounds) while leading scorer 6-3 Bob Jacobs (12.8) will team with 6-1 Mike Anastasio (8.9). Jacobs missed the second half of the season after he fell victim of academic problems.

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Additional help wil come from Dave Williams, Steve Catlett and Barry Taylor, up from the freshman team.

VMI

VMI hired alumnus Bill Blair to rebuild its basketball fortunes and the new Cadets' coach has nine returning lettermen for a nucleus.

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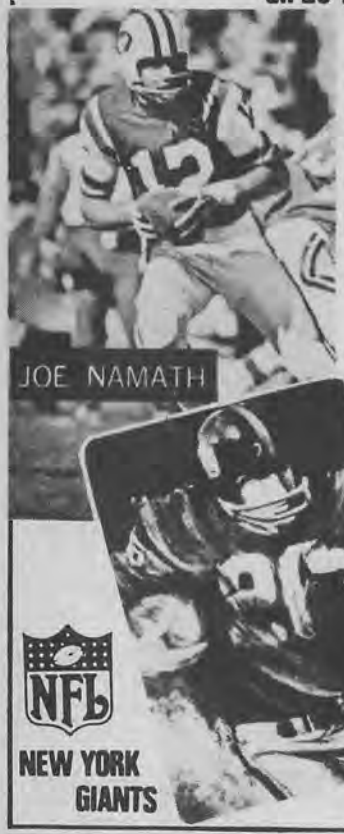

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David Lester, who averaged 9.1 points a game is the top returning starter in the back court. The fight for the other position will be among returnees Rod Brewer (8.7), Snookie Parker, sophomores Alan Hansen (15.9) and Reggie Wood (11.1) and freshmen Dick Parsons, Gordon Rawlyk and Curt Reppart.

Blair faces a long haul, especially trying to recruit athletes to a military-oriented institution.

CITADEL

With only two of the top six players returning from last season's 12-13 team, Citadel will have to fight to stay out of the Southern Conference celler.

Head coach George Hill, starting his second season, has two quality players back—6-1 Steve Fishel and 6-3 forward Oscar Scott.

Fishel led the Bulldogs in scoring with a 14.9 average, but shot only .404 from the floor. Scott hit at a 12.4 average and was second in rebounding with 7.4 per game.

Bob Ferris, a 6-9 junior college transfer, will handle the post with Robin Cera and Glenn MacDonald, up from the frosh, JC transfer Everette White and holdovers Greg Weber, Al Edgington and Mike Morris, will battle for the other spots. Cerra and MacDonald led the frosh in scoring with averages of 16.4 and 15.4, respectively.

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WILLIAM & MARY

Ed Ashnault, who rebuilt programs at Dickinson and Colgate, inherits the rebuilding task at William & Mary, which has suffered through five losing seasons.

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Tom Pfingst, a 6-4 guard, is the top sophomore. He averaged 25.1 points a game for the frosh. Other sophs expected to help are Bob Blenner (17.4) and 6-11 Jim Christensen.

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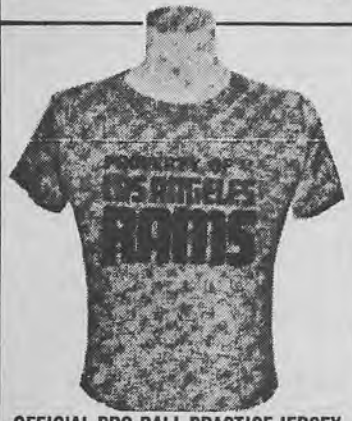

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EAST CAROLINA

East Carolina surprised everyone by winning the Southern Conference post season tournament and a berth in the NCAA playoffs. This time around the Pirates figure to battle for the regular season championship.

There's lots of talent returning led by a trio of starters who averaged in double figures.

Point guard Jerome Owens (13.1) is among the top playmakers in the conference. Al Faber 12.3) is 6-10 and will team with 6-8 Nicky White (6.3) in the spots.

At the wings it will likely be 6-5 Dave Franklin (12.2) and 6-3 Earl Quash (8.9).

Coach Tom Quinn has good reserve strength too with Milan Djordjevich, Steve McKenzie, Dave McNeill, Ray Peszko, Ernie Pope and John Pitts.

Southwest Independents

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ketball team which compiled a 1-7 record against most junior college competition.

Nearly a decade later the Huskies have moved up to the NCAA university division. Loss of the home court advantage was one price the school had to pay in order to schedule major teams.

Coach Lonnie Richards will welcome back six lettermen including standout 6-7 forward E.C. Coleman, who averaged 21.9 points a game. He will be joined at forward by his brother, Mack, who at 6-9 can play either center or forward.

Five players will back up the two Colemans at forward. They are 6-5 Tom Senter, 6-4 Willie Worsham, 6-6 Raymond Prejean, 6-5 Bob Druzak and 6-7 Craig Whitley.

With Jim Skaggs back and healthy and the addition of Butch Grant, the Huskies will have speed, strong outside shooting and two guards who can handle the press. Skaggs was out all last season with a knee injury after averaging 13 per game. Grant is a junior college transfer.

Backing them are 6-2 Steve Hurst and 6-1 freshman Terry Garner.

At center will be two-year letterman Willie Bennett, who averaged 13.9 points and 9.5 rebounds a game. Bob Page, a 6-11 freshman, will be the backup.

TRINITY (TEX.)

Things are looking up for Trinity in its first season as an independent school after leaving the Southland Conference.

The Tigers will have experience and depth as nine of 10 lettermen are back from last year's 6-18 squad. They will also be joined by the top four scorers off the 12-7 freshman team

Pete Murphy begins his first season as head coach, returning to the school at which he starred during the late 40s.

Tops among the returnees are Murphy's son, 5-10 guard Bob Murphy who led the Tigers in scoring with a 16.8 average, and Bob Brower a 6-8 senior center, who had 11.7 points and 12 caroms. The latter will be backed by 6-8 Steve Tipton (5.4).

The forward spots will be a tossup among returning lettermen 6-7 Bill Brower (6.2), 6-4 Randall Pugh (12.6) and 6-5 Dennis Werner (2.6) and sophomores 6-4 Keevin Wright (23.7 points and 18.4 rebounds), 6-5 Joe Wakeland (21.1 points and 12.5 rebounds) and 6-5 Jeff Paul (13.3 points and 11.6 rebounds).

Joining Murphy at the guard spot will be either 6-2 junior Alan Kirkes (9.5) or sophomore Phil Miller (18.4 points).

Back court strength will be provided by Duane Henry and Jon Morris.

PAN AMERICAN

Pan American's basketball situation is muddled owing to off-the-court problems, so the upcoming season is not likely to be a good one.

The Broncos were 17-7 last year, their best record since joining the NCAA University Division.

Center Pete Perry, a 6-10½ senior, gives Pan American speed, defense and rebounding ability. A good pro prospect, Perry averaged 12.8 rebounds and 14.6 points a game while blocking 96 shots last season.

Perry will be the key man the Broncos will be rebuilding around. The other four starters all may be newcomers to the first five. Behind Perry, height seems lacking, with 6-7 Carlos McCullough the only experienced big man.

Guards Don Cardenas, Dave Haas and Mike McVea all have limited experience. Transfer Perry Jackson from Tennessee could help the back court situation.

Western Athletic Conference

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TEXAS-EL PASO

Texas-El Paso will field a young basketball team in 1972-73, but one with the experience of a 20-victory season and a trip to the National Invitation Basketball Tournament.

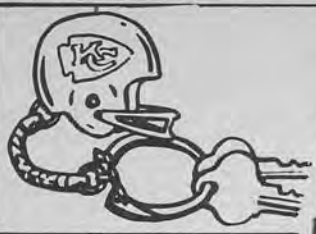
Last year coach Don Haskins started three sophomores and they carried the burden of the attack. Add to the group two top players off the freshman team and a junior college transfer and another post-season tournament berth should be in the offing.

The Miners will be paced by 6-8 junior forward Jim Forbes, who averaged 12.3 points and 11 rebounds, and had a spot on the U.S. Olympic squad.

He'll be joined up front by 6-5 Gus Bailey, who averaged nine markers a game, swinging between the front and back courts.

At center will be 6-8 sophomore Ed Lynum, who scored at a 16.8 norm and collected 12.8 rebounds a game for the freshmen.

Beto Bautisita (5.1), a starter last year, will likely wind up being a top reserve this time around. Salted to take over in the back court are 6-2 sophomore Frank Keton, the frosh's leading scorer with a 21.2 average, and 6-3 Richard Harris, a transfer from Allegheny Community College (Pa.), where he poured in 23 points a game.



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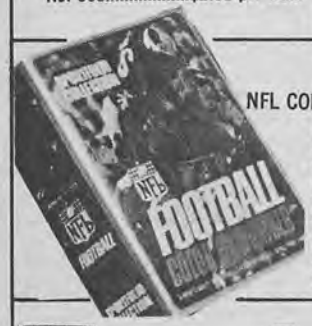

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Rounding out the squad are Jethro Hills, Greg Davis and Art Solomon (14.2 points & 16.0 rebounds as a freshman).

The Miners will get most of their wins on defense and Haskins is one of the best around at teaching it. Last year UTEP gave up only 60 points a game in the Western Atheltic Conference.

Big Sky Conference

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finest guards in the conference. He's Dan Dion, a 6-footer, who averaged 15.4 points per game.

Two junior college recruits, 6-6 Steve Fleming and 6-6 Frank Childs, are possible starters at forward.

Weber again will run an offense without a true center, using instead three forwards rotating in and out of the post.

Rounding out the squad are Tom DeVita, Al DeWitt, Steve Gemelos, Ken Gubler, Mike Lemmons, Paul Marigney, Mike Moynihan and Dave Muirbrook.

GONZAGA UNIVERSITY

With a brand new coach and the finest forward combination in Gonzaga history, the upcoming season should be an exciting one for the Bulldogs.

The new coach is Adrian Buoncristiani, former assistant at Santa Clara. He replaces Hank Anderson who moved on to Montana State.

Top forwards Greg Sten and Joe Clayton are back for the Zags. The 6-7 Sten averaged 16.9 points and 11.8 rebounds last season while 6-5 Clayton averaged 14.9 points and 13.0 rebounds.

Another returning starter is junior guard Skip Molitor, who was an honorable mention All-Conference choice. Molitor averaged 6.1 points.

Buoncristiani has picked up junior college transfer Steward Morrill of Ricks J.C. to fill the center spot. The 6-8, 220-pound post man was all conference at Ricks, averaging 21.8 points and 13.6 rebounds.

Another outstanding recruit and a likely starter at guard, is Willie Daigle from San Francisco City College, where he led his club to their conference championship.

The top freshman recruit is 6-7 Bob McIver, who was selected Player of the Year in San Diego's Eastern League. He averaged 24 points and 17.8 rebounds.

BOISE STATE

With the loss of just one starter, Boise State head coach Murray Satterfield again has a fine nucleus of ball players for the upcoming campaign.

The Broncos have their fine combination of guards all back again. They are Booker Brown, Ron Mexwell, Bob McCollum and Dean Ecklund, all of whom will be seniors. Bill Barnes, who ran into scholastic difficulties last year should also be fighting for his starting guard spot.

If Ron Franklin, who is 6-8 can fill the bill at center, then Satterfield will move 6-6 Bill

Cottrell to a forward spot to take up the slack lost through the graduation of Steve Wallace.

Also returning is 6-7 forward, Greg Bunn, Boise State's leading scorer a year ago, and 6-5 reserve forward Steve Clifford.

Coming up from the frosh will be 6-4 forward Steve Goodall, the leading scorer and rebounder, and 6-5 guard Ernie Elliott.

Help for the Broncos will also come from JC transfers, 6-5 Maurice Buckingham, who averaged 16.6 points per game, and 6-3 guard Clyde Dickey, who hit for an 18.4 average.

Last year, Boise State finished 14-12 overall and 7-7 in the Big Sky.

MONTANA

With an abundance of quick guards to run his fast break game and some tall talent up from the freshman team, Montana basketball coach Jud Heathcote is hopeful about the upcoming campaign.

Heathcote, in his first year at Montana, guided the club to a 14-12 overall record, the first winning season in nearly a decade.

Two key veterans, center Ray Howard and forward Willie Bascus, graduated, but there are replacements for both from the frosh team.

The three key men up from that team which lost only once are 6-8½ center Ken McKenzie, 6-6½ forward Larry Smedley and 5-10 guard Ruben Bailey.

Both Smedley and Bailey scored about 20 points per game and McKenzie has a 16 point per game average and was the leading rebounder (13).

Heathcote has his two guards back, Mike Murray and Robin Selvig, and regular forward Earl Tye. Other top guard prospects are transfer Alan Campbell, and Tom Peck, who scored 14 points per game for the frosh.

Others expected to provide depth are Chris Anderson and Scott Hollenbeck, 6-6 and 6-7 respectively, and Tim Stambaugh, a sophomore.

MONTANA STATE

Montana State has a new, but veteran coach, and a group of seasoned players for the upcoming campaign.

Hank Anderson has taken over as coach after 21 seasons at Gonzaga, where he posted a 290-270 record. Anderson came in sounding optimistic by stating "I could say this is a rebuilding year, but I'm thinking about the Big Sky championship right off the bat."

Montana State began last winter with high hopes, only to stagger to a 10-16 mark and seventh place in the league.

Back are five seniors, 6-8 Scott Koelzer (14.0), 6-8 Mark Beckwith (12.7), 6-7 Al Williams (7.1), 6-3 Virgil Taueg (5.0) and 5-10 Frank Cikan (3.4). There are two junior lettermen returning, 6-1 Tom Kastelitz (5.2) and 6-9 Doug Layne (2.9).

Anderson felt his biggest need was a sharpshooting guard so he went out and recruited Larry Solday, a 5-8 former All-Air Force standout, who was attending Spokane Community College. Another JC guard in the picture is 5-10 Greg Cory.

IDAHO

Idaho's basketball outlook for the coming season can be nothing but better, following last year's 5-20 performance. Coach Wayne

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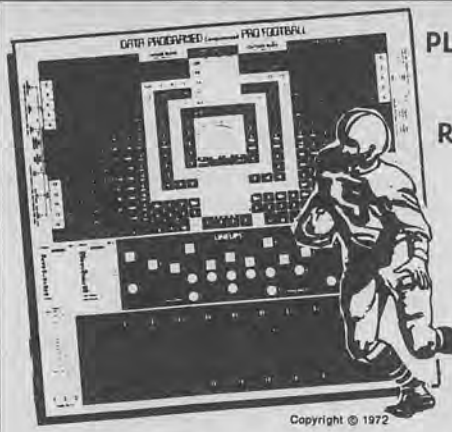

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Anderson feels there were some bright spots and looks for help from a pretty good freshman team.

Returning will be Steve Ton, a 6-6 junior forward who led the team in scoring with a 13.3 average and a 45 percent performance from the field. Ton also led with a 9.3 rebounding average.

Marty Siegwein, who was second in scoring and averaged seven rebounds a game is also back as are guard Chris Clark and forward Paul Hardt.

Loads of help is expected from the sophomores. Roger Davis, a 6-8½ center, led the frosh with a 15.4 rebounding average and led the team in assists.

Dana LaFerriers, leading scorer with a 15.9 average, is 6-9 and likely to start, too. In addition Anderson has Jim Valentino and Mike Dunda for the guard spots with 6-5 forward Rick Nelson and 6-6 Bob Jorgenson in reserve.

Anderson also recruited three juco players, 6-8 Sid Hansen, who scored at a 20-point average, and guards Ty Fitzpatrick and Frank Munos.

Far West Independents

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SEATTLE-PACIFIC

Coach Lester Habegger will have eight lettermen and three starters back from last year's team which was 17-11 and placed second in the NCAA College Division West Regionals.

Leading the way will be Jim Ballard, a 6-6 senior who averaged 20 points and 12 rebounds a game. Doug Love, 6-8, and Jeff Stone, 6-4, also return, keeping the front line intact. They averaged 11.3 and 8 points a game, respectively.

The Falcons question mark is at guard where both starters and a top reserve were claimed by graduation. Dave Cox and Carey Weedman, subs a year ago, will take over, with additional help coming from JC transfer Dave Hunter.

PORTLAND

With the return of 10 letterman and the addition of hotshot forward Quinton Braxton, Portland figures to improve on its 10-16 mark of last year. It was the eight straight losing season for the Pilots.

Two other sophomores, 6-1 guard Frank Babcock (12.5) and 6-9 Doug Lauricella (15.5) will also start.

They will be joined by holdovers 6-2 Ricky Parks (12.4) and 6-7 Frank Severs (7.5).

Also expected to see plenty of action are Bob Williams, Floyd "Tiny" Banks, Ken Hettrich and Gary Strachan.

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